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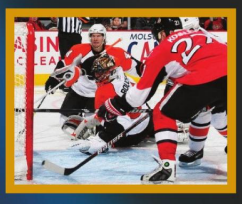

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## Celebrity Buzz

### Lohan hits back online

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## Canadians fear for loved ones last seen in hotel

**PORT-AU-PRINCE** Families of those missing in the rubble of a plush Haitian hotel say rescue efforts are too disorganized to give them much hope.

An international team of as many as 70 search-and-rescue technicians has been combing the remains of the Hotel Montana since last Wednesday.

Relatives of missing Canadians and Haitians alike fear the efforts are too haphazard and focused on the wrong areas in the rubble. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## Fundraiser Stars come out for Haiti

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Ben Mulroney (CTV), from left, Cheryl Hickey (Global Television) and George Stroumboulopoulos (CBC Television) announce a star-studded lineup Thursday in support of Canada For Haiti, a one-hour, commercial-free special airing across the three networks Friday night. The special will raise money for Canadian relief efforts in Haiti. More coverage, pages 11, 24.

# Keep us flush: Mayors

## Delegates urge feds not to cut infrastructure spending

**Canada's big city mayors are urging the federal government to keep billions of dollars in infrastructure money flowing as the country enters a new era of restraint.**

They want Ottawa to extend the $4-billion federal infrastructure stimulus fund for at least six months past the March 2011 deadline — and consider more funding even as it looks to save money elsewhere.

They're also urging the feds not to cut other programs — including the gas tax fund and GST rebates — that help municipalities build and repair roads, bridges, sewer systems and other infrastructure.

> **"The best way to fight federal deficits is to have people working and paying ... taxes"**
> David Miller, Toronto mayor

The mayors argue spending on infrastructure will actually help the government erase the $56-billion deficit racked up since last year's recession, creating jobs, spurring economic growth and generating revenue to fill federal coffers.

"The best way to fight federal deficits is to have people working and paying … taxes," said Toronto Mayor David Miller. Regina Mayor Pat Fiacco agreed infrastructure funding "more than pays for itself."

The mayors made their pitch as federal Finance Minister Jim Flaherty prepares to unveil a budget March 4. Among other things, the budget will launch a review program to identify spending that can be cut as the government attempts to return to balanced books. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Cancer centre complete

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**QCH** Two years after construction began, the Ottawa Hospital will receive the keys for its new state-of-the-art cancer treatment centre Friday.

An event at the Queensway Carleton Hospital Friday celebrates the completion of the Irving Greenberg Cancer Centre at the QCH — part of the expansion of the Ottawa Hospital Regional Cancer Program — with QCH CEO Dr. Tom Schonberg handing the keys over to Ottawa Hospital CEO Dr. Jack Kitts.

This means staff at the Ottawa Hospital can start moving their equipment in as early as February, said QCH director of communications Judy Brown.

"The staff will be getting set up and organized, and getting set up for patient care," said Brown. "And in early April, they will begin seeing patients."

Premier Dalton McGuinty will attend Friday's events, along with Dan Greenberg, who donated $7 million for the building.

The four-storey, 85,000 square-foot building will house three radiation therapy machines, 33 chemotherapy bays and various clinics and resources for patients and their families, Brown said.

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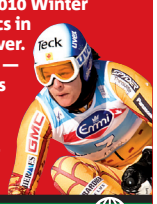

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## Share your favourite skating pics

**To commemorate the 40th skating season of the Rideau Canal Skateway, the National Capital Commission is inviting residents and visitors to share photos of themselves skating on the Rideau Canal. The photos can be submitted, along with the date the photo was taken, through www.canadascapital.gc.ca/skateway. They will be displayed as a slide show on the website or at Winterlude events.** METRO OTTAWA

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## Sharpen skates for some shinny on Hockey Day

**ALL SKILL LEVELS** Grab your skates and your hockey stick and hit the ice on one of the city's 236 outdoor rinks as the City of Ottawa hosts its second annual Hockey Day in Ottawa on Sat. Jan. 30.

The event encourages people of all ages, abilities and skill levels to get outside for an afternoon of hockey, skating and physical activity from noon to 2 p.m.

Last year, more than 4,500 participants played pickup games on 147 rinks. Organizers hope to make it even bigger this year.

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# Anti-prorogue rally Saturday

## Organizers push non-partisan aspect, want politicians back to work

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**Even though the catastrophe in Haiti has captivated Canadians over the last few days, organizers of an anti-prorogue rally are optimistic that a large crowd will turn out for a rally on Parliament Hill this Saturday.**

"We're making sure that (the prorogation) doesn't just fall off the radar," said Jesse Root, one of the organizers of the Canadians Against Proroguing Parliament rally in Ottawa.

The group has sent out press releases, put up posters and set up a Facebook page that has over 1,100 people confirmed for the event. While that is not a promise that people will attend, Root said many more participants have already committed to the event offline.

Anti-prorogue rallies are scheduled for over 33 communities across the country this weekend.

The rally on Parliament Hill will begin at 1 p.m. Root said they will have speakers from various non-governmental organizations affected by various bills killed when Parliament was prorogued.

Organizers sent out invitations to all five federal parties to speak at the rally. Four have confirmed their participation. Root said they are still waiting to hear back from the Conservative party.

"That's one thing we've really been trying to push, the non-partisan aspect," he said.

In early January, when planning began, their intent was to pressure the government to get back to work. Before the prime minister pulled the plug, the MPs would have returned on Jan. 25.

That is still the message, but Root said they also want to let the government know that Canadians are aware of what's going on and these things should not happen without their consent.

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Jesse Root, an organizer of the Ottawa Canadians Against Proroguing Parliament rally, is hoping to see more than 1,000 people come out to Parliament Hill this Saturday.

## City a mess, needs people in politics: Kilrea

**ELECTION** Despite an increasingly crowded ballot, former mayoral candidate Terry Kilrea remains committed to running for the council seat in Bay Ward again.

Candidates who register early in the year usually do so to raise campaign funds and start building name recognition, but Kilrea, who was the primary witness in Mayor Larry O'Brien's trial last summer, said he doesn't need to do either.

"If you start too early, it's a marathon. From my experience, you're not going to engage people in a councillor's race this early," he said. "People know me. My volunteers are ready. I'm not going to tire them out."

The city is in such a mess that it needs as many people as possible to get active in municipal politics, he said.

In the mayoral race, homeless advocate Jane Scharf has thrown her hat in the ring once again.

Scharf finished a distant fourth in the 2006 election, winning less than one half of one per cent of the votes.

Scharf is known for a month-long campout in front of Mayor Larry O'Brien's office in 2007, when she protested comments he made comparing homeless people to pigeons.

Systems analyst engineer and corporate IT instructor Harley Collison, 55, has registered to run in Rideau-Rockcliffe Ward.

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## News in brief

**ON CALL** A HAZMAT team was called to a Kanata Loblaws for a Freon leak Thursday. At the same time, around 30 firefighters dealt with a two-alarm electrical fire at 18 Wynford Ave.

**CLINICS** The last scheduled H1N1 and seasonal flu vaccination clinic is on Feb. 10. The next clinics run at the Centre Pauline-Charron Saturday and the West Carleton Community Complex Monday. METRO OTTAWA

## Stop smoking with Driven to Quit Challenge

**HEALTH** To mark National Non-Smoking Week, the Canadian Cancer Society Ottawa Unit is raising awareness of the Driven to Quit Challenge this week.

This is the fifth year that the campaign has been hosted by the Canadian Cancer Society.

"January and September are the biggest months for people to quit," said Barbara Hollander, regional co-ordinator of the smokers' helpline.

So far, about 300 Ottawans have signed up for the challenge, which encourages Ontarians to make a quit attempt with the support services available to them.

This year, entrants who quit for the month of March have chances to win prizes, including a 2010 Ford Escape hybrid and a $5,000 CAA vacation getaway.

Those who have quit smoking since the new year, or plan to quit by March, can register until Feb. 28 at www.DrivenToQuit.ca or at the Canadian Cancer Society Ottawa Unit office.

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**Manitoba health officials defensive about Lesnar's bashing**

Manitoba health officials are on the defensive after a bashing from UFC heavyweight champion Brock Lesnar. The American mixed martial arts star says he received "Third World" health-care treatment in Canada after falling ill during a hunting trip. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Canada

## Harper upset with one-day sentence

**Prime Minister Stephen Harper, left, says he understands why Canadians would be shocked by the sentence handed to a terror suspect near Toronto. Harper was critical of the law that gave criminals extra credit for prison time served before a conviction at a news conference in Truro, N.S. Amin Mohamed Durrani, 23, received a one-day prison sentence in a Brampton, Ont., court Wednesday after pleading guilty to knowingly participating in and assisting a terrorist group.** THE CANADIAN PRESS

## G8 summit might have climate talks

**TREATY** Environment Minister Jim Prentice says he's feeling international pressure to put climate change high on the agenda at the G20 and G8 summits this summer.

And while he's not exactly a champion of the idea quite yet, he's not saying No either.

Canada is dedicated to turning last month's Copenhagen climate accord into an internationally binding treaty well before the end of the year, Prentice said in an interview.

"It's an agreement that reflects Canada's principles, so we very much want to see it converted into an international treaty over the course of 2010," he said.

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# Haitians looking to escape

## More than two million people still homeless: Authorities

**Haiti Crisis**

**Crowds continue to gather outside the Canadian Embassy in Port-au-Prince — Haitians hoping to escape the city more than a week after it was rocked by a massive earthquake.**

Authorities say a staggering two million people are homeless while thousands are still without a steady supply of food and water.

Outside the capital, members of Canada's Disaster Assistance Response Team are in the quake-ravaged town of Jacmel, while Canadian soldiers in the town of Leogane are continuing efforts to help.

With heavy equipment coming from Port-au-Prince, Canada and Jamaica, DART hopes to be pumping potable water in Jacmel within the next few days.

In Leogane, a contingent of troops from HMCS Halifax continues to treat patients for secondary infections and to stem the spread of disease, still a primary concern.

The task of rebuilding Leogane will likely fall to members of the Royal 22e Regiment from CFB Valcartier, who are already arriving in the region.

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**A Canadian Armed Forces truck prepares to be loaded on the MV Wloclawek Thursday, at the Quebec City port. Military vehicles, including water purifying units and bulldozers, are being shipped to Haiti for a humanitarian mission.**

### By the numbers

- Canadians confirmed dead: 14
- Canadians missing: 321
- Canadians located: 1,867 up from 1,727 the day before.
- Canadians believed to be in Haiti: more than 6,000
- Total death toll in Haiti: Roughly 200,000, estimate by the European Union, quoting Haitian officials.

## Troops killed four civilians in 2009

**AFGHANISTAN** Canadian soldiers struggling to contain the Taliban insurgency in southern Afghanistan killed four civilians last year, according to military figures obtained by The Canadian Press.

The deaths occurred when the soldiers felt compelled to open fire during what is known as an escalation of force.

"There were three incidents of escalation of force that led to four civilian deaths caused by CF soldiers," the military said.

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# VANOC plays hardball over Olympic rights

## Non-sponsor companies blur line of advertising rules

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

**Another kind of competition is playing out ahead of the Olympics.**

Opponents don suits instead of jerseys but the game is ultimately the same: strategy must be honed and the goal is to earn gold. When play becomes unfair, someone cries foul.

Organizers for the winter Games in Vancouver aren't the referee, but they've been tooting their whistle in every direction as game time draws nearer attempting to defend the turf of their paying sponsors from companies they accuse of ambush marketing.

> **"You're basically seeing businesses saying 'Screw you.'"**
> Lindsay Meredith, Simon Fraser University

Seeking damage control, the Olympic organizing committee, known as VANOC, has steadily pursued those they charge are capitalizing off the largest sporting event in the country by misleading consumers into believing they're affiliated.

Except that VANOC's overbearing approach might be causing more trouble than it prevents and leaving it in a public relations muddle, observers suggest.

Scotiabank last week became the latest in a series of corporate brands to be chastised for launching a marketing campaign VANOC says threatens to undermine the value of Games sponsorship.

"You're basically seeing businesses saying 'Screw you,'" said Lindsay Meredith, who teaches marketing at Simon Fraser University, though adding VANOC isn't wrong to finger the various companies on their tactics.

Some 64 domestic sponsors have contributed more than $756 million to the Olympic budget.

"VANOC set the stage for this kind of backlash way early on because they were way too aggressive ... Now they're in a case where other (companies) are saying 'We dare ya, go ahead, take a shot at us in court.'"

Vancouver was the backdrop when Scotiabank unveiled a photo and story-submitting contest that uses images of fans in red and white cheering an amorphous sporting event. A company spokesman denied the campaign is trying to associate with the Olympics, adding he's confident it worked within organizer-issued guidelines.

VANOC has exclusive Canadian marketing rights to Olympic brands until Dec. 21, 2012, which only official sponsors are allowed to market products under.

Royal Bank of Canada is the official bank Games sponsor and has been since 1947.

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# Court rules in favour of farmer in raw milk case

**DAIRY** An Ontario farmer raised a glass of milk in celebration outside court Thursday after being found not guilty of 19 charges related to selling unpasteurized milk.

Michael Schmidt, who operates a raw milk co-op, defended himself last year against the charges for dispensing milk straight from the cow.

"I hope that we can move into a dialogue where even more people enjoy raw milk," Schmidt said after the verdict, holding a glass of milk as his supporters cheered.

The Durham, Ont., farmer operates a 150-cow raw milk co-operative venture, which allows members to own a portion of the cow to acquire raw milk.

Schmidt was charged under the Health Protection and Promotion Act and the Milk Act after an armed raid by about two dozen officers and government officials at his farm in 2006.

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**Alberta disbands school board**

The Alberta government has taken the rare step of disbanding a northern school board, citing poor student performance, high drop out rates and high staff turnover. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Group asked for help: Docs

**POLITICS** The Harper government was warned months ago of a "crisis" at a government-funded rights advocacy agency, according to internal correspondence obtained by The Canadian Press.

The then-majority of board members at Rights and Democracy wrote to Foreign Affairs Minister Lawrence Cannon on Oct. 23 to say the board was "dysfunctional," requesting the appointment of a new chairman, and asking that a "high-ranking government official" be appointed to one of two empty board chairs.

The federal Conservatives responded by appointing the senior legal counsel of B'nai Brith Canada and the head of an evangelical-based Christian think tank, both of whom subsequently supported board chairman Aurel Braun.

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# CSIS puts its eye on Harkat

## Lawyer for terror suspect says more information needed

**A lawyer for terror suspect Mohamed Harkat says his client's alleged declaration of loyalty to an Algerian extremist group — even if true — hardly makes him a member.**

The Canadian Security Intelligence Service claims Harkat, arrested in Ottawa more than seven years ago, has ties to Islamic extremists and that he professed loyalty to Algeria's Armed Islamic Group.

Lawyer Matt Webber told a CSIS officer during a Federal Court hearing Thursday it's hard to know what that means without more information and context.

Under cross-examination, the CSIS officer, referred to only as John to shield his identity, said the point is significant because it indicates Harkat's support for the methods of an "incredibly violent terrorist organization" known for killing civilians.

Harkat

However, John could not elaborate, noting any information to underpin the allegation would be classified.

CSIS says Harkat has displayed behaviour typical of "sleeper" agents who set themselves up in foreign countries — use of a false passport and aliases, keeping a low profile and concealing his previous whereabouts.

The former gas-station attendant and pizza delivery man, arrested in December 2002, denies any involvement with terrorism.

The Algerian-born Harkat, 41, arrived in Canada in 1995, obtained refugee status and applied for permanent residence.

In his refugee claim, he acknowledged support for Algeria's Islamic Salvation Front, or FIS, a legitimate political organization when he became involved in the late 1980s. After the Algerian government cracked down on the FIS, Harkat went into hiding and moved to Pakistan.

CSIS contends that when the FIS severed its links with the Armed Islamic Group, or GIA, Harkat indicated his loyalties were with the GIA. Justice Simon Noel is presiding over public hearings.

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### Deportation

- The government is trying to deport Harkat under a national security certificate, a rarely-employed immigration provision for removing suspected terrorists and spies.

# Samsung pitches in to develop green tech

**ENERGY** A $7-billion investment in Ontario by Samsung and state-owned Korean Power Electric Corp. will help the province become a leader in manufacturing green energy technologies that it can export to the United States and elsewhere, Premier Dalton McGuinty said Thursday.

"It's important to understand that building the green economy, green energy jobs and putting in place the Green Energy Act is not for the faint of heart," said McGuinty. "It's going to take bold steps."

Samsung will build wind and solar farms across Ontario that will generate 2,500 megawatts of power, and will also build four plants to manufacture components for green energy projects, creating about 16,000 jobs in the process.

Most of those will be temporary, but 1,440 permanent manufacturing and related jobs will be created.

"We're trying to lay the foundation here for new economic growth in Ontario ... to build the capacity here to deliver renewable technology to the U.S. market," McGuinty told reporters after signing the deal, which he described as the largest of its kind in the world.

Critics said Ontario was giving Samsung big advantages over Canadian-based wind and solar producers, including special access to crowded transmission lines and incentives that they said amount to a huge taxpayer subsidy of a foreign multinational.

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Ontario Minister of Energy and Infrastructure Brad Duguid, left, listens as Premier Dalton McGuinty addresses a press conference after signing an agreement that will bring more green energy to Ontario on Thursday in Toronto. Samsung C&T Corporation and the Korea Electric Power Corporation (KEPCO) will invest $7 billion to generate wind and solar power in Ontario.

## Study looks at native vulnerability

**SWINE FLU** A new study says genetic susceptibility is unlikely to be responsible for increased rates of severe H1N1 cases in aboriginal people.

It has been noted with H1N1 and with earlier pandemics that aboriginal people seemed to be more prone to developing severe illness than non-aboriginals. But the study notes that First Nations people from Canada, Australian Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders, don't share a common ancestry. THE CANADIAN PRESS.

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**Meteorite hits doctor's office** 7

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# World

## 123 Haitian children arrive in Netherlands

Haiti Crisis

**Enveloped in his new mother's embrace, four-year-old Jersen Silvester Eefting gazed wide-eyed around a hotel lobby at the end of an 11-hour flight that whisked him from the devastation of Haiti to his new home in the Netherlands.**

"It feels magnificent," said Roel Eefting as he videoed the newly adopted son he had met minutes earlier.

Jersen was one of 123 children, aged from two months to seven years, flown to the Netherlands Thursday. They arrived on a plane chartered by the Dutch government and two adoption agencies to airlift children out of Haiti to new lives in the Netherlands and Luxembourg. None of the children was hurt in last week's earthquake. But Macky Schouten, head of the Netherlands Adoption Foundation, said it was difficult getting them from their orphanages in Haiti to the choked Port-Au-Prince airport.

"They had to come from different houses in a situation that was very dangerous," she said. The children were accompanied on the flight by medics and psychologists trained to deal with post traumatic stress, Schouten said.

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A woman believed to be with a Dutch adoption association carries two Haitian children Thursday after arriving in the Netherlands.

## One horror after another in Haiti

Haiti Crisis

**GRAVES** Workers are carving out mass graves on a hillside north of Haiti's capital, using earth-movers to bury 10,000 people in a single day even as relief workers warn that Haitians are still dying of injuries from the Jan. 12 quake for lack of medical care.

Clinics have 12-day waiting lists for patients, crushed arms and legs are festering and makeshift camps that have sprung up in parks, streets and vacant lots now house an estimated 500,000 people, many in need of food and water.

The death toll is estimated at 200,000, according to Haitian government figures, with 80,000 buried in mass graves. The commission now estimates two million homeless.

North of Port-au-Prince, burial workers said the macabre task of handling the never-ending flow of bodies was traumatizing.

"I have seen so many children, so many children. I cannot sleep at night and, if I do, it is a constant nightmare," said Foultone Fequiert, his face covered with a T-shirt against the overwhelming stench.

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## News in brief

**NEW YORK** A woman pleaded not guilty Thursday to abusing pets in front of her children at their home, where authorities said 42 dead animals were found buried. Her 21-year-old son contacted authorities in November, describing the home as "a concentration camp for animals." A judge removed Sharon McDonough's six daughters, ranging in age from 18 months to 13 years, from the home. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Accused feared removal from home

**VIRGINIA** The man accused of unleashing a bloodbath that killed eight people on the quiet homestead he shared with his sister and her family had complained to a friend that he feared being kicked out of the house.

However, an attorney said that Christopher Speight's sister was not trying to remove her brother. Henry Devening said Speight's sister last week put the property in her brother's name. He added Speight had a history of mental problems.

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**Embassy launches Facebook page**

The U.S. Embassy in Baghdad is looking for Iraqi friends on its new Facebook page. The embassy launched the page to reach out to Iraqi youth. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Prayer ritual leads to plane landing

**PHILADELPHIA** A teenage airplane passenger using an Orthodox Jewish prayer instrument caused a misunderstanding that led the captain to divert the Kentucky-bound plane to Philadelphia and prompted a visit from a bomb squad.

A 17-year-old boy on US Airways Express Flight 3079 travelling from New York to Louisville was using tefillin, a set of black boxes attached to leather straps and containing biblical passages, said Philadelphia police Lt. Frank Vanore.

When used in prayer, one box is strapped to the arm while the other box is placed on the head.

The teen explained the ritual after being questioned by crew members, but the captain decided to land in Philadelphia anyway, authorities said. Authorities said the plane was searched and passengers were questioned. The teen, who is from White Plains just north of New York City, was travelling with his 16-year-old sister.

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# Edwards admits to fathering child

## Former U.S. presidential candidate owns up days before tell-all book hits stands

**Former U.S. Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards finally came forward Thursday to admit that he fathered a child with a woman that he hired before his second failed White House bid.**

Edwards, a former U.S. senator from North Carolina and 2004 vice-presidential candidate, confirmed this in a statement released to The Associated Press, after initially denying that he'd fathered a child during his affair with videographer Rielle Hunter.

Edwards

The statement came as the second birthday of Frances Quinn Hunter approaches and just days before a new book about the scandal is due. It was written by Andrew Young, the Edwards campaign aide who initially said he was the baby's father.

"I am Quinn's father," the former senator declared in his statement. He admitted it was wrong to have denied that and vowed to do "everything in my power" to support the girl. He also said he hoped that "one day, when she understands, she will forgive me."

In this 2009 file photo, Rielle Hunter leaves court with her child.

Hunter's lawyer, Michael Critchley, said the admission is "good for everyone" and amounted to a public acknowledgment of something that was known privately.

He said Hunter had no immediate comment.

Frances was born Feb. 27, 2008, indicating that she was conceived in the middle of 2007, several months after Hunter stopped working for Edwards in the early stages of the battle for the 2008 Democratic presidential nomination.

Edwards admitted the affair, but denied he was the father of the child until now. He claimed the affair ended in 2006.

Young initially claimed he was the child's father shortly before the 2008 presidential primary contests began.

Word that Young was naming Edwards as the father first came when details of his book proposal were reported by The New York Times in September.

In an excerpt of an ABC News interview released Thursday, Young says that Edwards asked him to arrange a fake a paternity test.

"Get a doctor to fake the DNA results," Young said Edwards told him. "And he asked me ... to steal a diaper from the baby so he could secretly do a DNA test to find out if this (was) indeed his child."

Edwards' wife of more than 30 years, Elizabeth, has been battling incurable cancer since 2007. She has stood by her husband despite the affair. She has said that it does not matter to her whether her husband fathered a child with Hunter, saying, "that would be a part of John's life, but not a part of mine."

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# Commander looks to cut down night raids

**AFGHANISTAN** The top U.S. and NATO commander in Afghanistan plans to tighten the rules on night raids, The Associated Press has learned, in a new step to curb public anger over perceived violations against civilians.

Such raids have emerged as the No. 1 complaint among Afghans after Gen. Stanley McChrystal curbed the use of airstrikes and other weaponry last year.

NATO spokesman Rear Adm. Gregory Smith told the AP a new directive would be issued soon to set down new rules for night raids.

"It addresses the issue that's probably the most socially irritating thing that we do and that is entering people's homes at night," he said Wednesday. He would not elaborate pending a formal announcement.

The U.S.-led force has become increasingly sensitive to complaints by Afghan civilians as part of a renewed effort to win support among the public and lure people away from the Taliban. Last year McChrystal curbed the use of airpower and heavy weapons if civilians could be put at risk.

Smith said complaints about civilian deaths from airstrikes had dropped sharply after McChrystal's order last year, but Afghans are "not seeing enough difference in our nighttime operations."

He acknowledged the possible tactical difficulties, but said the problem needed to be addressed in the effort to win the confidence of Afghan civilians and keep them from supporting the Taliban.

The UN said this month the percentage of civilian deaths attributed to pro-government forces had declined over last year. The UN blamed the Taliban for most civilian deaths.

Nonetheless, complaints persist that civilians are mistakenly targeted.

On Thursday, about 500 angry demonstrators chanted slogans against the United States and the Afghan government after four people were killed in a raid the night before in a village southwest of Kabul. NATO said the four killed were insurgents, but villagers insisted they were civilians.

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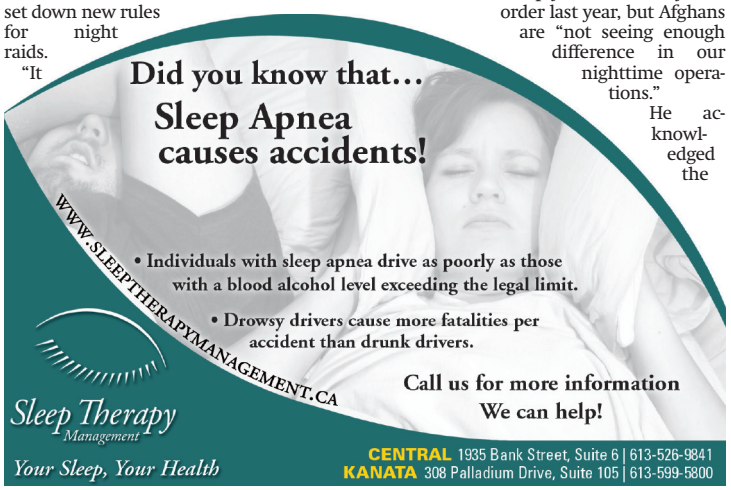
### Witnesses claim civilians attacked

- Witnesses said foreign troops descended on the Qara Bagh district of Ghazni province in helicopters and stormed two houses Wednesday. They killed a father and his two sons along with a neighbour even though they weren't armed, according to Musa Jalali and other residents of the Baram village. NATO denied any civilians were harmed in the action. It said the raid was a joint operation with Afghan forces targeting a high-level Taliban commander who has organized attacks against Afghan and NATO troops and helped smuggle foreign fighters in the area.




# Obama's Gitmo deadline passes, prison still open

**GUANTANAMO** As U.S. President Barack Obama neared his self-imposed deadline to close the Guantanamo Bay prison, the Justice Department offices of the terrorist detention task force was bustling, not with lawyers, but construction workers tearing apart the walls, ripping out any trace of its secretive work, although Obama's goal to shutter the prison is still far off.

The staffers were gone, having completed recommendations on detention policy. On Wednesday, the Guantanamo task force made its final recommendations for all of the 198 remaining detainees awaiting transfer, trial or further detention.

Attorney General Eric Holder has reviewed the bulk of those recommendations and decided that the most feared detainee — the self-declared mastermind of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks Khalid Sheikh Mohammed — and four henchmen should face trial in New York.

For all that work, the Obama administration is still struggling to find the political muscle, diplomatic dexterity and cash from Congress to implement those tough, often unpopular decisions about the remaining detainees.

As one of his very first acts as president, Obama signed an executive order to close the military prison for terror suspects within a year.

The one-year mark arrives Friday, and he will miss it by a wide margin, likely a year or more.

He has not offered a new deadline. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## News in brief

**CHINA** Google's threat to pull out of China over concerns about censorship and security should not affect ties with the United States, a top Chinese official said Thursday, seeking to contain the government's dispute with the Internet giant. The comment from Vice Foreign Minister He Yafei came just hours before U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton delivered a speech in Washington on Internet freedom calling for American companies to resist pressure to accept censorship.

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**Macy's announces opening of Bloomingdale's outlets** 9

Macy's Inc. said Thursday it will open its first Bloomingdale's bargain-priced outlet stores this summer and fall in a bid to attract value-conscious shoppers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Business

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Opel workers leave Opel's Antwerp plant in Belgium, Thursday after they were informed of the factories closure.

## Opel to cut 8,300 jobs

### European auto market faced with much uncertainty

**General Motor Co.'s Opel unit will cut 8,300 jobs across Europe, including 4,000 in Germany, and close a plant in Antwerp, Belgium — casualties of the "tough reality" of a shrinking European auto market.**

Opel head Nick Reilly said Thursday that the Antwerp plant had to go, with the loss of more than 2,300 jobs, because the company needs to shed 20 per cent of its manufacturing capacity. That's because far fewer cars are being sold as a result of the recession.

"We have to take a plant out and unfortunately it's Antwerp," Reilly said at a press conference in Brussels.

"It is the tough reality of the current business environment."

The plant, founded in 1924, has already shrunk from employing 7,000 workers at its peak to around a third of that today. It produces the Astra three-door, convertible and station-wagon versions, almost all of them for delivery outside Belgium.

The Belgian government has tried to stave off the Antwerp plant's closure by earlier this year offering the company up to C500 million ($707 million US) to upgrade the facilities.

Reilly said the economic crisis means European car makers will likely sell 1.5 million fewer cars this year than in 2009 and 4 million fewer than in 2007.

The GM cutbacks were a hard blow for the 2,600 Opel workers in Antwerp and the automotive supply companies that employ 10,000 workers.

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### Life sciences company MDS reports $58M loss in fourth quarter

**LOSS** Canadian life sciences company MDS Inc. issued preliminary results Thursday, including a $19-million US loss from its continuing operations and a $58-million loss overall in the fourth quarter.

Toronto-based MDS is in the process of selling most of its remaining business units but will keep MDS Nordion, best known for supplying medical isotopes to customers around the world.

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**U.S. economy expected to gain momentum**

A forecast of future U.S. economic activity jumped 1.1 per cent in December, a private research group said Thursday, suggesting economic growth in the United States could pick up this spring. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Recovery to pick up pace, says top bank

**The private sector is beginning to play an increasingly pivotal role in leading the country out of recession, the Bank of Canada said Thursday in its latest policy report.**

In a mildly upbeat assessment, the central bank's quarterly outlook contains some upward revisions for growth in the United States, China, Europe and Japan that should help Canada's battered exporters and manufacturing sector in the next two years. And it says Canada's economy will grow faster going forward than expected, in part because it got off to such a slow start last summer.

Overall, the central bank appears more optimistic about the sustainability of the recovery around the world, although it also cautions that risks of a stall in recovery remain.

There is also some upside hope, the bank adds, that conditions may continue to improve better than projected.

For months, Carney has been cautioning Canadians not to get overextended in buying homes, but there is no such warning this time. In fact, the bank says it expects the housing market to cool this year and next as a result of pent-up demand becoming satiated and relatively high home prices. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Economy grows

- Canada's economy likely grew by 3.3 per cent in the last three months of 2009, the Bank of Canada says. For 2010, it will advance by 2.9 per cent, followed by a 3.5 per cent pickup in 2011.

## Fast food Burger King opens Moscow outlet

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A woman walks by a poster announcing the opening of Burger King's first outlet in Russia at a shopping mall in northwest Moscow Thursday. The American-owned fast food chain will open another outlet in downtown Moscow on Monday. Burger King's main rival, McDonald's, opened its first outlet in the Soviet Union in 1990 and now operates 235 restaurants throughout Russia.

## Business in brief

**MEDIA** Canwest Global Communications Corp. says the Ontario Superior Court of Justice has extended its creditor protection from bankruptcy until March 31. The company said the court had granted the extension on an earlier deadline that expired Friday. Canwest filed for protection from bankruptcy last fall after amassing $4 billion in debts and getting squeezed by the recession-induced slump in advertising revenues. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Sticking gas pedals spur Toyota recall

**AUTOS** Toyota said Thursday it is recalling more than 2.3 million vehicles in the U.S. and Canada to fix accelerator pedals that can become stuck, the latest in a string of quality problems that have bedeviled the Japanese automaker.

The recall affects the 2009-2010 RAV4, the 2009-2010 Corolla, the 2009-2010 Matrix, the 2005-2010 Avalon, the 2007-2010 Camry, the 2010 Highlander, the 2007-2010 Tundra and the 2008-2010 Sequoia.

Toyota said the recall is due to potential problems with the gas pedal mechanism, causing the accelerator to become stuck. Toyota said in certain rare cases, the mechanism wears down, causing the accelerator to become harder to press, slower to return or, in some cases, stuck. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Alberta Clipper in service sooner

**PIPELINE** Enbridge Inc.'s Alberta Clipper crude oil pipeline is set to come into service on April 1 — months ahead of schedule.

Chief financial officer Richard Bird told a CIBC investment conference Thursday the 1,600-kilometre line from Alberta to Wisconsin was originally supposed to start up in July.

Bird says Southern Lights, a separate pipeline to carry light oil from the Chicago area to Alberta's oilsands, is also set to come into service ahead of schedule. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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# Fewer file for bankruptcy but still more than in 2008

**ECONOMY** Fewer Canadians and businesses filed for bankruptcy in November, providing another sign that the economy is in recovery mode.

The Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada says total bankruptcies declined by four per cent in November compared to October. Part of the drop was attributed to lower consumer bankruptcies, which were down 3.8 per cent from October. Business filings were down 7.7 per cent.

Compared to November 2008, bankruptcies were still up 12.8 per cent. The impact of last year's recession could be clearly seen in a massive 31.4 per cent increase in bankruptcies during the full 12 months ended Nov. 30, 2009 when compared to 2008.

Business bankruptcies over the 12 months ending in November were down 10.1 per cent, falling to 5,530 last year from 6,153 in 2008. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## Comment

# Mixing commerce and community

UrbanCompass

Hartman's is a business, but also something more. That's why the disappearance of a piano and seating area from the Centretown grocery store has provoked an outcry.

The Centretown Citizens' Community Association, Somerset Coun. Diane Holmes and a 1,200-person Facebook lobby are all agitating to have the precious few metres of community space restored.

Stores like Hartman's still have attributes of the old-fashioned market square, an arena of commerce, but also a gathering place. Most of the crowd is composed of strangers, both the complete variety and the semi-familiar sort you see repeatedly at about the same time every week as you shop, but not infrequently you bump into someone you know. That's worth something in a sometimes alienating, compartmentalized city.

Shopping at Hartman's is not an unalloyed joy. The merciless arithmetic of SUV shopping carts, narrow aisles and countless zoned-out fellow shoppers produces endless variations on the same tiresome theme.

But the various players sitting at the piano sweetened the drudgery and gave the store something unique. Their heartfelt interpretations of classical and popular music have been replaced with the same bland piped-in Muzak offered everywhere else.

The removal of the piano was only one of a few recent examples at Hartman's of what the Germans call Schlimmbesserung, an "improvement" that actually makes things worse.

Some checkout counters have been replaced with automated checkout machines, which are such a pain in the arse to operate that staff members have been assigned to train and assist customers in their use, thereby assisting the disappearance of their own jobs.

A turnstile has been installed at the entrance, further snarling the already bottlenecked foot traffic in this area as shoppers try to guide their carts through it. And I think it best, for reasons of decorum and brevity, that I don't even get started on the new plastic bag regime.

The piano was removed, says Hartman's, to make room for an expanded produce section. Still, reports persist that the main idea was to evict the homeless from the seating area.

Seldom does anybody officially admit to such callous snobbery. The disappearance of benches up the street at Bank and Cooper this fall was officially explained as a snow removal measure, but nearby business owners had complained of the no-fixed-address set sitting around. So now they stand around.

Hartman's is, of course, free to make business decisions, and is somewhat protected from the consequences of customer displeasure by a paucity of nearby competition. But Centretown is a neighbourhood, and business owners are neighbours who should remember to act like it.

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## Views

# Canada pitches in to help Haiti tonight

Marketplace

I live in Vancouver and sometimes take the bus to work through an area known as the Downtown Eastside — what's called "the poorest postal code in North America." Not a lot of people with a lot of money ride that bus.

So imagine my surprise this week, hearing passengers talk about how they want to send money to Haiti, devastated by the Jan. 12 earthquake. "I owe Visa a whack of money," said a middle-aged woman, dressed in a slightly dirty coat, missing a button. "But I'm gonna put a donation to Haiti on my credit card. They could use the money."

An older man joined in, saying he had a collection agency tracking him down, but he was putting a cheque for $25 in the mail to help people in Haiti.

These are people with very little money figuring out how to help others far worse off than themselves. It says a lot about the spirit of our country. Yes, our household debt hit a record high last year — for every $100 of income, Canadians owe $145 in debt.

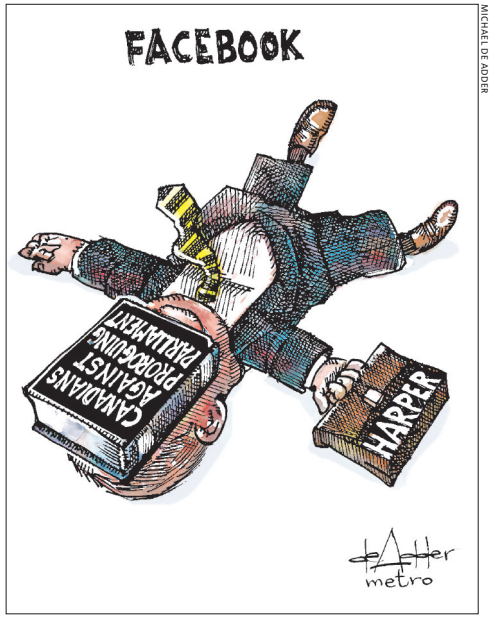
And, yet, people are opening their wallets to lend a hand to Haiti. The Red Cross says Canadians have donated almost $36 million and made another $8 million in pledges. Other charities are reporting big donations, too. World Vision says aid is coming in faster than during the 2004 tsunami. So far, it has raised more than $5 million. Oxfam, Care Canada and Save the Children are raising millions, too. There's no overall figure available, but other charities receiving donations include Medecins Sans Frontieres Canada, UNICEF and Plan Canada.

Tonight, Marketplace, the program I regularly co-host on CBC Television, will be pre-empted: CBC Television, CTV and Global Television are collaborating to produce Canada For Haiti, a one-hour, commercial-free special featuring a star-studded lineup of Canadian talent. Also broadcasting tonight is the U.S. telethon Hope For Haiti Now, hosted by George Clooney.

Programming begins tonight at 7 local ET/CT/PT and 8 local AT/MT.

I hope you'll tune in and donate if you can. Who knows? Maybe next week on the bus you'll be talking about what you did to help.

Erica Johnson co-hosts CBC Television's investigative program, Marketplace, pre-empted tonight for a Haiti fundraiser, but normally seen at 8:30 p.m.

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Felix Hernandez and the Seattle Mariners have completed a $78-million US, five-year deal that averts an arbitration hearing and keeps the young ace under contract through 2014. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Sports

## Apology for crotch-grab prank

**An Italian television channel has apologized for a prank in which a female presenter attempted to grab David Beckham, left, between the legs. The AC Milan midfielder was visibly angered when Elena Di Cioccio, who fronts the popular show Le Iene (The Hyenas) on Italia Uno, made her move while the soccer player was being interviewed by another person Wednesday.** THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Phillips nets winner

**NHL RESULTS**

**Blues 2 Senators 3**

**From a five-game slide to a five-game win streak, the Ottawa Senators appear to have made a complete turnaround.**

Chris Phillips scored a tiebreaking game-winner in the third period as the Ottawa Senators defeated the St. Louis Blues 3-2 Thursday night.

"It feels great," said Sens captain Daniel Alfredsson of the win streak. "It's hard to do these days and you just try to keep the momentum going and keep working hard and try to give yourself a chance every night. It's not going to last forever but we're going to try to keep it going."

Phillips scored a little more than 10 minutes into the third as he took a pass from Alfredsson and snapped a shot from the slot past Chris Mason in the St. Louis goal.

Petr Regin had a goal and two assists for the Senators (27-21-4), who won their fifth straight and remain in fifth spot in the Eastern Conference.

Milan Michalek also scored for the Senators while Alex Kovalev and Alfredsson had two assists each. Brian Elliott made 27 saves for his 13th win of the season.

Eric Brewer and Brad Boyes scored for the Blues (22-21-7) while Mason stopped 27 of the 30 shots. Boyes scored 30 seconds into the third period to tie the game 2-2 and silence the crowd of 16,063 at Scotiabank Place.

All three Senators goals came on the power play, marking the first time since March 17, 2009, the Senators scored three power-play goals in a game.

"Our penalty killing has to be better, you can't spot goals like that," Brewer said.

"It was a little clustered for both teams at first but they were able to find opportunities to score and we weren't."

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St. Louis Blues goaltender Chris Mason reaches for the puck Thursday night at Scotiabank Place as teammate Roman Polak and Ottawa Senators Chris Neil track down the puck. The Sens won 3-2.

**Thunder owners agree to settle lawsuit**

The owners of the Oklahoma City Thunder, formerly the Seattle SuperSonics, have agreed to pay former Sonics season-ticket holders to settle a lawsuit. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Habs part ways with Laraque

**General manager Bob Gainey feels his Montreal Canadiens have a far better chance of making the playoffs without enforcer Georges Laraque than they do with him.**

PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Former Canadien George Laraque comments after being released by the team Thursday.

So even though Laraque will remain on the team's roster and his salary will still count on the team's cap figure, Gainey deemed it necessary Thursday to jettison Laraque from the Canadiens for the remainder of the season.

"I told him that he would not be continuing as part of our group for the rest of this season, for reasons of lack of productivity and distractions to our group," Gainey said. "We felt our goals were more achievable to continue without him as part of the group."

Laraque told TSN just after receiving the news Thursday morning that it was classless on Gainey's part to let him go considering everything that was going on in Haiti, where both his parents were born.

Gainey said Thursday that the decision to let Laraque go had in fact been taken prior to the Jan. 12 earthquake that devastated the country, but it was put on hold in light of Laraque's ties to Haiti.

"It's obviously extremely disappointing for it to finish like this, but what's going on in Haiti right now has given me some perspective," Laraque said on Thursday afternoon.

"I want to look at the positives. It was an honour for me to wear the Canadiens uniform, and I'm happy I was able to play in front of my family."

Still, he did take exception to Gainey's assertion that he had become a distraction to the team.

"I'm wondering what that means," Laraque said. "I never made any negative comments to the media just so I wouldn't be a distraction. I never did anything to embarrass the team."

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**"It's obviously extremely disappointing for it to finish like this, but what's going on in Haiti right now has given me some perspective."** George Laraque

## Sports in brief

**BELIVEAU** A spokesman for the Montreal Canadiens says former great Jean Beliveau is in hospital undergoing unspecified tests. Donald Beauchamp says no other information is available for the time being. But Beauchamp says Beliveau's life isn't believed to be in any danger.

**NFL** Wade Phillips is sticking around as coach of the Dallas Cowboys for two more years. Team owner Jerry Jones said Thursday that Phillips is signed through the 2011 season.

**BASEBALL** Joe Blanton and the Philadelphia Phillies have agreed to a $24 million US, three-year contract that avoided a salary arbitration hearing next month. The 29-year-old right-hander was 12-8 with a 4.05 ERA last year.

**OHL** Windsor Spitfires forward Zack Kassian has been suspended 20 games by the Ontario Hockey League for a vicious hit to the head of an opponent. In its ruling, the OHL concluded that Kassian did not leave his feet before the hit. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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**Women hit podium**

Maëlle Ricker and Dominique Maltais hit the snowboardcross podium Thursday, while fellow Canadian Mike Robertson officially punched his ticket to the Vancouver Winter Games. THE CANADIAN PRESS

# Vancouver Games

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# ‘Speed Queen’ makes her last hurrah

I call the hotel in northern Italy and the man at reception says he’ll find Emily Brydon right away.

“Everyone knows her,” he claims.

There’s chuckling and I make out Emily’s voice as she scurries to the phone leaving her ski buddies for a moment. No doubt they’ll pardon the interruption and anxiously wait to hear the finish of her latest tall tale.

Brydon has been an enormous part of the Canadian ski story for more than a decade. She’s a constant contender and stood on the World Cup podium nine times. That’s more than any female in this country’s alpine history with the exception of Nancy Greene, Laurie Graham and Betsy Clifford.

That’s exceptional company to keep.

Then again, Emily Brydon is an exceptional woman — larger than life some might say.

Her third Olympics in 2010 will be her last as she moves on with a career that includes the operation of a children’s foundation near her home in Fernie, B.C. She also wants to work with Right to Play and make more trips to Africa to help desperate kids. She saw a lot in Ghana when she went there last — it opened her eyes.

ALEXIS BOICHARD/AGENCE ZOOM/GETTY IMAGES

Canadian skier Emily Brydon will be competing in her third, and final, Winter Olympics next month.

Learn more about Emily Brydon in an interactive profile at: metronews.ca/sports

“By putting a definite conclusion to my career I’ve sort of inspired myself,” she says. “I don’t want to have any regrets.”

Brydon is a survivor and can make the best of any given situation. That’s why she’s the acknowledged leader of the Canadian female team, unofficially dubbed “The Speed Queens.”

It’s a tight-knit group that has lost stars Kelly VanderBeek and Larisa Yurkiw to injury.

“I’ve experienced it all,” Brydon sighs wistfully.

“It would be easy to get caught up in the sadness of those who won’t experience the Games. But it makes me appreciate the team we have. We need to keep going. We have a job to do.”

There’s also an unfinished story to tell and even on a phone, thousands of miles away, I can sense Brydon believes there can be a happy ending.

“I’m totally prepared,” she stresses.

“I have to hold on to that. I’m so proud to be Canadian.”

I say goodbye to her, hoping the speed queen’s last hurrah will be a tall tale we can all remember for many years to come.

Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. He has covered professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

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## Mel's back!

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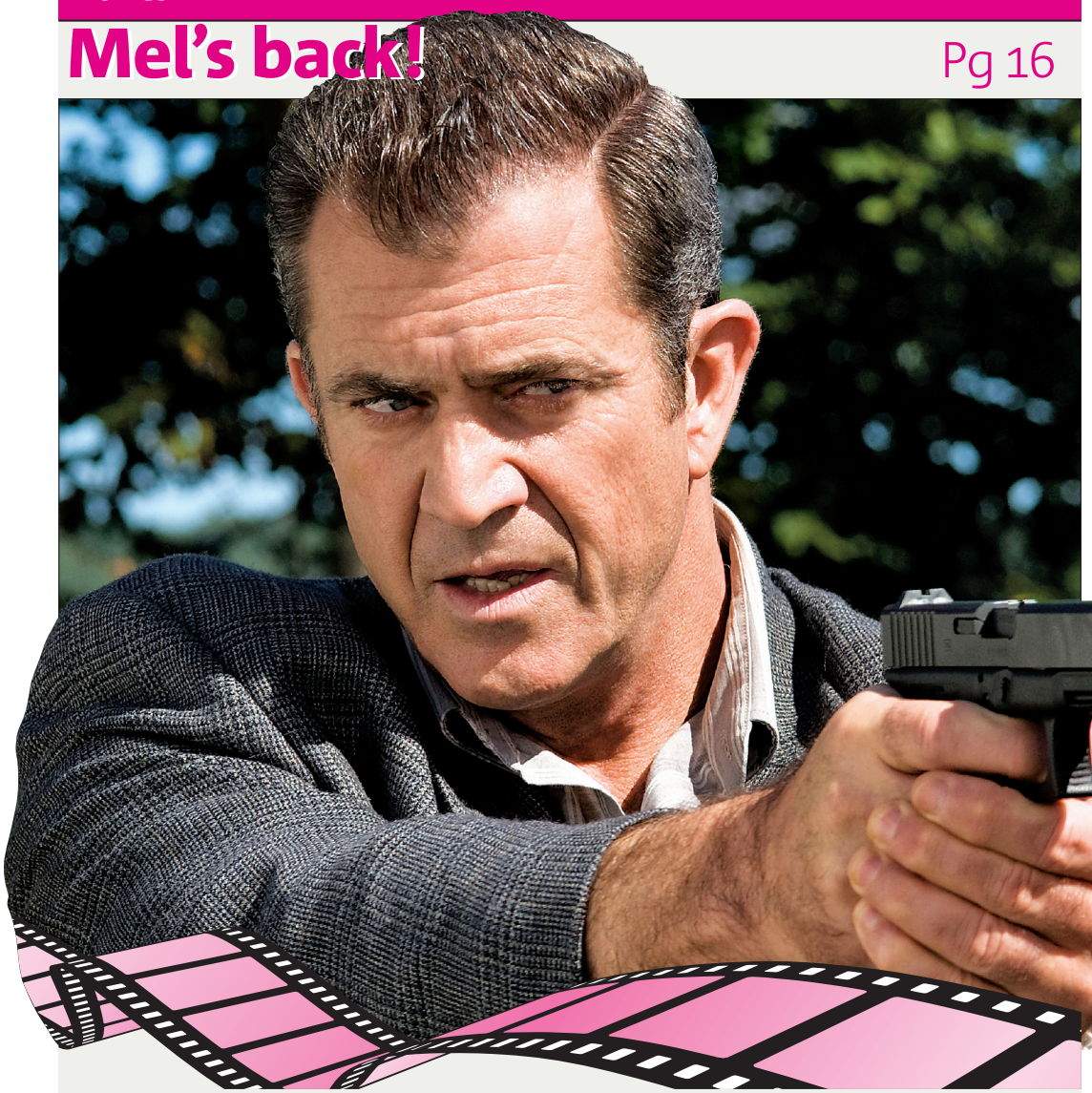

After an eight-year hiatus from acting, Mel Gibson is back as a cop trying to solve his daughter's murder in Edge of Darkness.

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# Mel takes Darkness to the max

## Actor returns to screen after eight-year hiatus

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

**Mel Gibson returns to acting with Edge of Darkness, his first lead role since 2002's Signs. The reason for such a long break is simple, he insists: He got bored.**

"I walked away from it after Signs because I just felt I was a bit stale. It wasn't ringing my bells," Gibson says.

"I was just tired and bored with it, you know?" But the veteran actor and director knew he wasn't giving up for good. "You don't know. That's why I didn't make some big pronouncement, like, 'I'm quitting, I'm retiring.'"

Quitting is something very much on Gibson's mind these days, since at the time of our interview he was nine days into quitting smoking.

"The first three days, I was like an axe murderer," he confides. "It is a hellish habit to break. Your neurons are involved. My mother smoked, I think, when I was in her womb."

Quitting smoking was probably a good idea if he's going to take on more films like Edge of Darkness, in which he plays a veteran cop trying to solve his daughter's murder — and getting into plenty of scrapes along the way.

**Edge of Darkness opens next Friday**

One particular fight scene called for some preparation, Gibson admits. "I ordered a chiropractor for the day after, because I knew I was going to wake up like roadkill, and I did," he says. "You don't bounce back as quick as you used to, and that guy's 25 and he's taking it easy on me. It's not a pleasant experience."

Mel Gibson, left, stars in the action thriller Edge of Darkness.

Gibson's next film, The Beaver, co-starring and directed by Jodie Foster, sounds much less physical — and a lot quirkier. "It's about a guy who's clinically depressed," Gibson explains. "Circumstances somehow dictate that he finds himself with a ratty beaver hand puppet on his arm, and he manages to kind of save himself and his life and his family and everything by expressing himself through this hand puppet, because that's all he can do."

As for Gibson the director, he's eager to return to the past with a long-planned Viking film starring Leonardo DiCaprio.

"The very first idea I ever had about making a film was when I was 16 years old and I wanted to make a Viking movie," Gibson says. "And I wanted to make it in Old Norse."

Much like with The Passion of the Christ and Apocalypto, Gibson plans on using historically accurate language.

"I think it's going to be English — the English that would have been spoken back then — and Old Norse," he says.

"Whatever the ninth century had to offer. I'm going to give you real. I want a Viking to scare you. I want to see somebody who I have never seen before speaking low, guttural German who scares the living s— out of me coming up to my house."

**On the web**

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# Fairy as fun as pulling teeth

**Tooth Fairy**
**Director:** Michael Lembeck
**Stars:** Dwayne Johnson, Ashley Judd
**Classification:** G
**Rating:** ⊕½

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

**REVIEW** It must be tough being Dwayne Johnson. The man is a decent comedic actor and has right physical stature to be an action lead.

Unfortunately he made his name as the professional wrestler The Rock and that's a hard image to shake.

He might not be credited as The Rock on movie posters anymore, but audiences haven't forgotten and his projects are suitably lowbrow.

Johnson has taken Hulk Hogan's crown as the premiere former wrestler turned awkward family film leading man. Johnson's latest cinematic misstep is Tooth Fairy and it just might be his lowest moment yet.

No less than six credited writers were needed to bring this film to life and sadly none of them came up with a decent joke.

To be fair, it would be hard for anyone to mine laughs out of a concept that sees Johnson portray a violent hockey player nicknamed the Tooth Fairy (because he knocks out so many teeth on the ice) who becomes an actual tooth fairy.

Explaining how this happens would make even less sense on paper than it does on screen, but the journey somehow allows him to connect with his girlfriend's children.

Overall, Tooth Fairy is a frustrating film that should even irritate youngsters.

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# Measures too ordinary

**Extraordinary Measures**
**Director:** Tom Vaughan
**Stars:** Harrison Ford, Brendan Fraser, Keri Russell
**Classification:** PG
**Rating:** ⊕⊕

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Brendan Fraser plays a dad trying to find a cure for a rare disease affecting his kids in Extraordinary Measures.

**REVIEW** Extraordinary Measures was created with good intentions, but it just can't escape an unfortunate "disease of the week" TV movie quality.

Though based on a true story, the screenplay is so rife with clichés and obvious emotional manipulation that it doesn't just tug on your heartstrings, but pulls on them with such brute force that you'll want to file assault charges by the time the credits roll. There is the nucleus for a touching movie somewhere in the material, but unfortunately the filmmakers never quite found it.

Brendan Fraser stars as John Crowley, a man who abandons his high paying job in an attempt to find a cure for the rare disease that threatens to take his children's lives.

Despite having no background in science or medicine, Crowley seeks out the radical Dr. Stonehill (Harrison Ford) to form a partnership. Together they find funding at a high profile medical facility and set out to discover a cure.

John Crowley is a real man who did quit his job to save his ailing children and his story worthy of a film, just not one with a badass scientist who rocks out to loud music while staring into his microscope and countless scenes of actors getting weepy and looking thoughtfully off screen rather than expressing real emotions.

You've seen Extraordinary Measures many times before. The filmmakers made no attempt to avoid the trappings of the "terminally ill children" genre of cheap melodrama.

Harrison Ford is admittedly funny as a surly scientist, but he plays a snarky movie character that is awkwardly wedged into a true story. Brendan Fraser does his best as John Crowley, but sadly his role is limited to pouting and appearing stressed for 90 minutes until he can finally smile in the last reel.

John Crowley's story is certainly unique and inspiring enough to warrant a movie. This just isn't the one he deserves.

- For a trailer of Extraordinary Measures, screen times of photos, visit metronews.ca/movies

**BAFTA noms announced**
The 2010 BAFTA nominations have been announced, and three films boast a whopping eight nominations, with Avatar, An Education and The Hurt Locker leading the pack. Just behind is District 9 with seven. **EMPIREONLINE.COM**

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# Arnett amourous in Rome

**NED EHRBAR**
Metro World News

**Since the cancellation of his critically acclaimed series Arrested Development, Will Arnett has carved out a nice place for himself in the animated world, with scene-stealing voice roles in Ratatouille, Horton Hears a Who and Monsters vs. Aliens.**

In this month's When in Rome, he gets his face in front of the camera again as one of four unlikely suitors bewitched into pursuing Kristen Bell.

Arnett sat down with Metro to talk about promoting a film, the state of the TV industry and those pesky Arrested Development movie updates.

**Q Are you tired of people asking about the Arrested Development movie?**

**A** I'm not bothered by it, like, "Oh, God, leave me alone." We're happy that people liked it. We were never trying to be too cool for school at all.

If anything, we wanted more people to get it. I just say, "Yeah, it's happening, for sure." I mean, it's probably more annoying for people who have to read about it.

**When In Rome hits theatres next Friday**

**Q You've also got Jonah Hex coming up, which isn't a comedy.**

**A** Jonah Hex is really a departure for me. I would not describe it as funny. For the first time in my career I will have failed if I make people laugh. Although I probably will. People will laugh at me trying to be serious.

**Q Television comedy seems to be making a comeback. How do you see the industry now?**

**A** With all the problems that there are in TV, the only people that they have to blame are not the viewers, but the TV business itself. They've served us up so much reality TV, which was the crack of television.

There's no lasting value to it. And from what I understand with crack, it's the same thing. But if you were to give people something that they could sink their teeth into, whether it's comedy or drama — they could resurrect TV again, and I hope that they do do it.

I hope that people's attitudes in this country start to change a little bit and become a bit more liberal. We live in such a conservative place, where you have one-hour dramas that have incredible violence and gore, and yet you can't say certain words.

It's absolutely absurd. It should be the other way around. You should be able to say "f—" and "s—" in a comedy and see nudity as opposed to letting kids see guys getting shot in the head. That's awful to look at. And yet if you had the side of a buttock, people would be up in arms. How absurd in that?

Will Arnett stars in When In Rome. out next Friday.

# Creation's a rewarding ride

**Creation**
**Director:** Jon Amiel
**Stars:** Jennifer Connelly and Paul Bettany
**Classification:** STC
**Rating:** ●●●½

**ANNE BRODIE**
For Metro Canada

Creation is a difficult sell, but rewarding for patient audiences.

**REVIEW** Creation's the kind of emotional love story that should have audiences dabbing tears, while dazzled from the sheer beauty of the look of it.

But it's hard to imagine that filmgoers will embrace its story of faith versus science and death set in a distant Victorian past, so it's up to stellar performances and awesome cinematography to evolve into ticket sales.

Naturalist Charles Darwin (Paul Bettany) changed modern thought with the release of his ground breaking book On the Origin of Species, the scientific treatise that sent shockwaves through the "civilised" world with its premise that the world evolved naturally without God's help. It followed years of studies which took him around the world to undiscovered exotic locales where he formulated his theories.

Emma Darwin (Bettany's wife Jennifer Connelly) was a devout Christian who regarded them as blasphemous. Their philosophical conflict remained polite but the deaths of their infant son and, in the midst of Darwin's scientific endeavours, his favourite child Annie (Martha West) died, sending them both reeling.

Darwin's devastation accelerates the mental and physical strains of years of overwork and his efforts to calm himself through drugs and weird water cures widened the gap between them.

In all, Creation is a difficult sell to easy going, pleasure seeking audiences who like their gratification instant and preferably in the here and now.

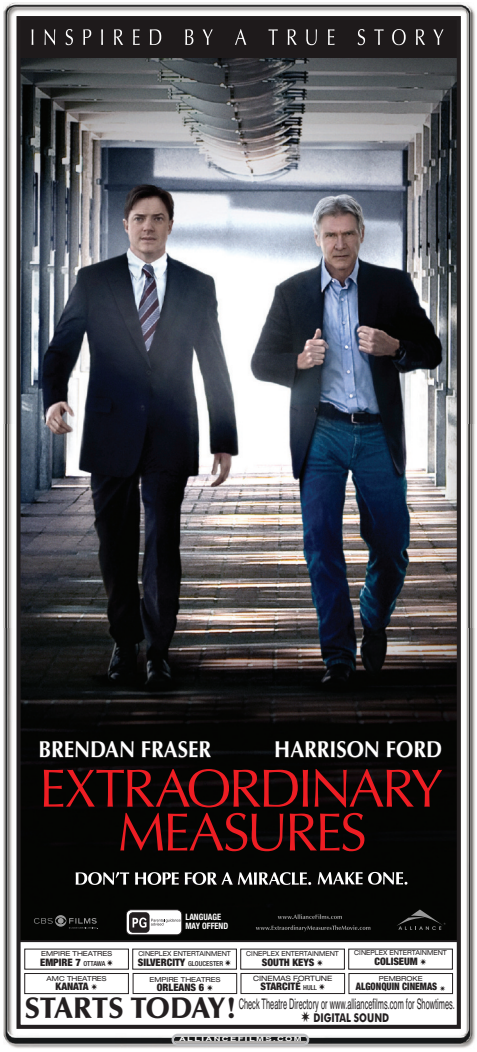
Creation has its strengths; it is emotional without being sentimental, clear headed, beautifully directed and gorgeous to look at. Bettany's bravura performance runs the gamut of joy, creativity, clarity, and extreme focus through to madness. His rawness in dealing with reality and his remaining children after Annie's death is heart-tuggingly poignant. His keen sense of humour — in the stories she tells the children and in vignettes of his work with a chimp — helps the story go down.

Connelly dares to be unsympathetic in a raw, heartbreaking performance as a grieving mother who fears for her husband's soul. But the wonky English accent is a constant distraction — almost as much as her beauty. The part's not a stretch for her having done the icy but supportive wife of a mad scientist before in A Beautiful Mind.

Amiel's flights of fancy that shorthand his theory of evolution are worth the price of admission — a bird falls from its nest, decays, provide food for parasites, whose numbers grow and enrich the earth where new life springs forth. The cycle of life in all its cruelty and beauty sweeping by in a few seconds is genius, and mirrored in the Darwin household.

Creation is an admirable piece of work in many ways, but it is heavy hearted and oppressive, which while understandable considering the family's experiences, is difficult. The landscape and interiors mirror the emotional beats in fascinating ways and the whiff of exoticism in Darwin's travels on the Beagle and the stories he tells, leaven the experience. For audiences willing to go the distance, it's a rewarding and interesting ride.

• For a trailer of Creation, screen times and photos, visit metronews.ca/movies



**Coens showing True Grit on Christmas Day**

The Coen Brothers' remake of the classic True Grit for Paramount Pictures will be hitting theaters on Christmas Day of 2010. The remake of the 1969 western stars Jeff Bridges as U.S. Marshal Rooster Cogburn, the character initially played by John Wayne. IMDB.COM

## Reel Time

A CLASSIC; EXCELLENT; GOOD; FAIR; POOR

# High Life's got characters

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

**Magician-turned-filmmaker Gary Yates' 2004 debut Seven Times Lucky was the trickiest movie ever to be set in Winnipeg — at least until the release of High Life, a twisty crime thriller adapted from Lee McDougall's award-winning play.**

A group of drug-addled parolees go on a crime spree in the Canadian crime thriller High Life, based on Lee McDougall's play.

"I think (Winnipegers) get a kick out of it," says the director, who moved to the city after being born in Montreal. "It's fun to see the place you live on screen."

McDougall's dialogue-heavy drama about four drug-addicted parolees planning to rip off a series of ATMs doesn't specify a setting, so Yates' choice to shift the action to the 'Peg could be construed as an act of civic pride.

But his other changes — including moving the action to the early '80s — speak to something deeper. "You forgive a lot more on stage," says Yates, who fortuitously came across McDougall's play while he was writing his own script about a heist gone wrong.

"But, I just couldn't buy the idea that these guys — even if they were drug-addled thieves — would believe they could pull that scam off today.

"In the early '80s, (ATMs) were new, not as sophisticated, no computers. And then that opened up a whole new theme for me: I was able to make a movie about these guys who were hung over from the '70s, trying to deal with this fast, new, drive-thru generation."

Even as he was reshaping the material, however, Yates says that he felt a sense of responsibility towards McDougall's characters. "For a play to be able to function with four guys just sitting on chairs for an hour, you know the characters had to be strong. They were perfect. So writing High Life was like writing a sequel and a prequel to the play, but the heart of the original is still right in there. I saw it as riffing — expanding where the guys came from, and also seeing where they ended up."

And while it's clear from High Life's opening scenes that these ambitious but oblivious characters aren't going to end up anywhere good, the film avoids condescending to their plight.

"I love all of my characters and I always have," Yates says.

"I've made movies about losers, but I don't judge them. And I hope that the audience doesn't judge them either."

• High Life opens in theatres next Friday

## Movie morsels

### The Book of Eli

**REVIEW** There's much to like about the long-awaited return of the Hughes Brothers. In hiding since 2001's From Hell, the filmmaking siblings rebound in style by bringing Hell to Earth — quite literally. America has been churned to rubble following a devastating war. Destined to "stay on the path," a drifter named Eli (Denzel Washington) protects a sacred Bible from thieves and killers as he wanders westward following his destiny. It's a tricky role, playing a sanctified sinner, so luckily Washington gives it life even while surrounded by supporting parts that seem fashionably cookie-cutter.

Steve Gow/for Metro Canada

### The Lovely Bones

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**REVIEW** The problem with Peter Jackson's The Lovely Bones, based on Alice Sebold's bestselling novel, is that it's too faithful. The core story of the film — 14-year-old Susie Salmon watches from beyond the grave as her family copes with her murder — works just fine, and the three actors at the heart of it (Saoirse Ronan as Susie, Mark Wahlberg as her father and Stanley Tucci as her murderer) turn in outstanding performances, with Wahlberg possibly the best he's been.

Ned Ehrbar/Metro World News

### Sherlock Holmes

**REVIEW** Guy Ritchie's risky re-imagining of literature's most famous detective definitely pays off well, thanks in most part to the sheer force of charisma that is Robert Downey Jr. The film takes all the strokes of genius and superhuman deductive skills usually attributed to Holmes and adds the psychological shortcomings that would naturally go with them. Downey portrays all of this splendidly.

Ned Ehrbar/Metro World News

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## OTTAWA

### BYTOWNE CINEMA
325 Rideau St., 613-789-3456

**Best of the BANFF Festival of Mountain Films** (STC) Mon-Tue 7:30
**Cairo Time** (STC) Sat 4:50 Sun 6:40
**Coco avant Chanel** (PG) Sat 8:50 Sun 2:15
**The Horse Boy** (PG) Wed 7 Thu 8:50
**The Killer** (STC) Wed 9:05 Thu 4:30
**Mary and Max** (PG) Fri 4:45 Sat 2:45 Sun 4:35
**Me and Orson Welles** (PG) Fri 6:50
**Prom Night in Mississippi** (STC) Wed 5 Thu 6:50
**The Yes Men Fix the World** (PG) Fri 9:15 Sat 6:50 Sun 8:40 Mon-Tue 4:45

### CANADIAN FILM INSTITUTE
2 Daly Ave., Suite 120, 613-232-6727

**The Adjuster** (STC) Thu 7
**For the Love of Movies: The Story of American Film Criticism** (STC) Sat 9
**Himalaya, Where the Wind Dwells** (STC) Sat 7
**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Mon-Wed
**La Vraie nature de Bernadette** (STC) Fri 7 Sun 7

### CANADIAN MUSEUM OF NATURE
240 McLeod St., 613-566-4700

**Classic Animal Tracks, Volume 2** (STC) Sat-Sun 9:30-10:30-11
**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Mon-Wed
**Oceans** (STC) Fri 3 Sat-Sun 11:30-1:30-3:30 Thu 6 Fri 4 Sat-Sun 12:30-2:30 Thu 7

### CENTRETOWN MOVIES
Dundonald Park, 512 Somerset St. W., 613-232-1534, centretownmovies.org

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### COLISEUM OTTAWA
3090 Carling Ave., 613-596-9475

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Fri 12:40-3:5-20-7:50 Sat 12:40-7:50 Sun 12:40-3:5-20-7:45 Mon-Thu 5:20-7:50
**Avatar 3D** (STC) Fri-Sun 12:50-2:4-30-6:20-8:10-10 Mon-Thu 4:30-6:20-8:10-10
**The Book of Eli** (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:30-4:40-7:30-10:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:40-7:30-10:20
**Extraordinary Measures** (PG) Fri 1:40-4:20-7:15-9:55 Sat 1:10-4:7:15-9:55 Sun 1:40-4:20-7:15-9:55 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:15-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
**Leap Year** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:10
**Legion** (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:50-4:50-7:40-10:15 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:50-7:40-10:15
**The Lovely Bones** (PG) No Passes Fri-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:35-9:40 No Passes Mon-Wed 3:30-6:35-9:40 No Passes Thu 4:05-7:05-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
**The Metropolitan Opera: Les Contes d'Hoffmann Encore** (STC) Sat 1
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Fri 12:35-3:40-6:50-9:50 Sat 3:40-6:50-9:50 Sun 12:35-3:40-6:50-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:40-6:50-9:50
**The Spy Next Door** (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-3:50-6:30 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:30
**Tooth Fairy** (G) No Passes Fri-Sun 1-4:10-7-9:30 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:10-7-9:30
**Up in the Air** (14A) Fri 1:10-4-6:40-9:20 Sat 6:40-9:20 Sun 1:10-4-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 4-6:40-9:20
**Veer** (14A) Fri-Sun 1:20-5-8:30 Mon-Thu 5-8:30
**Youth in Revolt** (14A) Fri-Thu 9

### EMPIRE 7 CINEMAS
111 Albert St., 3rd Floor, World Exchange Plaza, 613-233-0209

**The Book of Eli** (14A) Fri 3:50-6:50-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:50-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 3:50-6:50-9:40
**Creation** (PG) Fri 4-7-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:50-4-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:30
**Extraordinary Measures** (PG) Fri 4:20-7:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:10-4:20-7:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:20-9:45
**It's Complicated** (14A) Fri 6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:35-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20
**Leap Year** (PG) Fri-Thu 4:30
**The Lovely Bones** (PG) Fri 3:30-6:30-9:25 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:25 Mon-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:25
**A Single Man** (PG) Fri 3:40-7:30-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:20-3:40-7:30-9:50 Mon-Tue 3:40-7:30-9:50 Wed 3:40-9:50 Thu 3:40-7:30-9:50
**Up in the Air** (14A) Fri 4:10-7:10-9:35 Sat-Sun 1-4:10-7:10-9:35 Mon-Thu 4:10-7:10-9:35

### MAYFAIR THEATRE
1074 Bank St., 613-730-3403, mayfair-movie.com

**Bad Lieutenant: Port of Call New Orleans** (STC) Wed 9:10 Thu 9:30
**Fright Night** (STC) Fri 11
**GoldenEye** (STC) Sun 4:30 Tue 9:25
**The Living Daylights** (STC) Sat 4:30 Tue 7
**The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers** (14A) Sat-Sun 1
**The Men Who Stare at Goats** (14A) Fri-Sun 7
**Resolution 2010: New Works From the Saw Video** (STC) Thu 7
**The Room** (STC) Sat 11
**Taqwacore: The Birth of Punk Islam** (STC) Fri-Sun 9 Mon 9:10
**Valentino: The Last Emperor** (PG) Mon 7 Wed 7

### OTTAWA FAMILY CINEMA
710 Broadview Ave., 613-722-8218, familycinema.ca

**2012** (14A) Fri 7
**No Films Showing Today** (STC) Sun-Thu
**Old Dogs** (G) Sat 2

### RAINBOW CINEMAS
St. Laurent Centre, 1200 St. Laurent Blvd., 613-688-0850

**2012** (14A) Fri-Thu 10:10-8:55
**The Blind Side** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:40-9:20
**Did You Hear About the Morgans?** (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-2:45
**The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:30-9:15
**Invictus** (PG) Fri-Thu 10-4:55-8 Thu 1
**Nine** (PG) Fri-Thu 6:50-9:25
**Old Dogs** (G) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:05-5:7
**Planet 51** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:20-12:10-2:20-4:30
**The Twilight Saga: New Moon** (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:50-6:35

### RIDEAU CENTRE CINEMAS
50 Rideau St., 613-234-3712

**Avatar** (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 4:30-8:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 12:50-4:30-8:30 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Tue 4:30-8:30
**Donkey** (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes Wed-Thu 7-9:30
**Legion** (14A) SDDS Digital, No Passes Fri 4:10-6:45-9:30 SDDS Digital, No Passes Sat-Sun 1:20-4:10-6:45-9:30 SDDS Digital, No Passes Mon-Thu 4:10-6:45-9:30
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 3:50-6:30-9:15 Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:05-3:50-6:30-9:15 Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 3:50-6:30-9:15

### SOUTH KEYS
2214 Bank St., 613-736-1115

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Fri-Thu 10:50-1:20-3:40-6:40-9:10
**Avatar** (STC) Fri-Thu 12:10-4-8
**Avatar 3D** (STC) Fri-Thu 10:15-2-6-9:40
**The Book of Eli** (14A) No Passes Fri-Tue 10:20-1:10-3:55-6:55-10 No Passes Wed 10:20-1:10-3:55-6:55-10:05 No Passes Thu 10:20-1:10-3:55-6:55-10
**Extraordinary Measures** (PG) Fri-Thu 11:10-1:45-4:45-7:30-10
**It's Complicated** (14A) Fri 4:20-9:45 Sat 9:45 Sun-Thu 4:20-9:45
**Leap Year** (PG) Fri-Tue 11-1:30-7:25 Wed 11-1:30 Thu 11-1:30-7:25

Lovely Bones opened last week.

**Legion** (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 10:40-1:25-4:05-7:10-9:50
**The Lovely Bones** (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12-3:15-6:50-9:55
**The Metropolitan Opera: Les Contes d'Hoffmann Encore** (STC) Sat 1
**Race Across the Sky** (STC) Wed 7
**Sherlock Holmes** (PG) Fri-Tue 10:10-1:15-4:10-7:15-10:05 Wed 10:10-1:15-4:10-7:15 Thu 10:10-1:15-4:10-7:15-10:05
**The Spy Next Door** (PG) Fri-Thu 10:45-1:05-3:45-6:45
**Tooth Fairy** (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 10:30-1-3:30-6:30-9
**Up in the Air** (14A) Fri 10:35-1:40-4:15-7-9:35 Sat 4:15-7-9:35 Sun-Thu 10:35-1:40-4:15-7-9:35
**Youth in Revolt** (14A) Fri-Thu 9:20

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### CINÉMA DES GALERIES D'AYLMER
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**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Fri-Sun 1-3:10
**Avatar 3D** (STC) Fri-Sun 12:40-4-7:30 Mon 6:40 Tue 12:40-4-7:30 Wed-Thu 6:40
**The Book of Eli** (14A) Fri-Sun 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:20 Mon 6:50 Tue 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:20 Wed-Thu 6:50-9:20
**Leap Year** (PG) Fri-Sun 7-9:10 Mon 7 Tue 7-9:10 Wed-Thu 9:30
**Legion** (14A) Fri-Sun 1:10-3:30-7:10-9:30 Mon 7:10 Tue 1:10-3:30-7:10-9:30 Wed-Thu 7:10-9:30
**Les 3 retraites brisées** (14A) Tue 1-3:30 Wed-Thu 7

### CINÉ-STARZ
1100 boul. Maloney Ouest, 819-568-8000

**2012** (G) Fri-Sun 3:40-8:15 Mon-Thu 12-4:10-6:50
**Blindé** (13+) Fri-Sun 5:15-9 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:50-9:30
**C'est compliqué** (G) Fri-Sun 3:10-7-9:05 Mon-Thu 1:40-3:45-7:25-9:30
**Il pleut des hamburgers** (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:35-5:30
**Nomémie: Le secret** (STC) Fri-Sun 12-1:50-6:25 Mon-Thu 12-3:40-5:30
**Ont sont passés les Morgan?** (G) Fri-Sun 7:05 Mon-Thu 1:50-7:20-9:10
**Planète 51** (G) Fri-Sun 12-1:45-3:30-5:15 Mon-Thu 12
**La Saga Twilight: Tentation** (G) Fri-Sun 1-3:15-7:05-9:20 Mon-Thu 12-2:15-4:30-6:45-9

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1779 boul. Maloney Est, 819-663-0915

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### GATINEAU 9
120 boul. de l'Hôpital, 819-568-6070

**Alvin et les Chipmunks: La suite** (G) Fri 6:45-8:45 Sat-Sun 1:20-4-6:45-8:45 Mon 6:45-8:45 Tue 1:20-4-6:45-8:45 Wed-Thu 6:45-8:45
**Avatar** (G) Fri 8 Sat-Sun 12:30-4:10-8 Mon 8 Tue 12:30-4:10-8 Wed-Thu 8
**La fête des dents** (G) No Passes Fri 7:15-9:30 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:3-25-7:15-9:30 No Passes Mon 7:15-9:30 No Passes Tue 1:3-25-7:15-9:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 7:15-9:30
**L'espion d'à côté** (G) Fri 7:20-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:05-3:40-7:20-9:40 Mon 7:20-9:40 Tue 1:05-3:40-7:20-9:40 Wed-Thu 7:20-9:40
**Le livre d'Élie** (13+) No Passes Fri 6:50-9:25 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:25 No Passes Mon 6:50-9:25 No Passes Tue 12:50-3:20-6:50-9:25 No Passes Wed-Thu 6:50-9:25
**Légion** (13+) No Passes Fri 7-9:15 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:15-3:45-7-9:15 No Passes Mon 7-9:15 No Passes Tue 1:15-3:45-7-9:15 No Passes Wed-Thu 7-9:15
**Mesures Extraordinaires** (G) Fri 7:10-9:40 Sat-Sun 1:10-3:50-7:10-9:40 Mon 7:10-9:40 Tue 1:10-3:50-7:10-9:40 Wed-Thu 7:10-9:40
**La nostalgie de l'ange** (G) No Passes Fri 6:20-9:20 No Passes Sat-Sun 12-3-6:20-9:20 No Passes Mon 6:20-9:20 No Passes Tue 12-3-6:20-9:20 No Passes Wed-Thu 6:20-9:20
**Sherlock Holmes** (G) Fri 6:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 12:15-3:10-6:30-9:10 Mon 6:30-9:10 Tue 12:15-3:10-6:30-9:10 Wed 9:10 Thu 6:30-9:10

### STARCITÉ HULL
115 boul. du Plateau, 819-770-1090, cinemasfortune.ca

**Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel** (G) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:15-7:20
**Alvin et les Chipmunks: La suite** (G) Fri-Thu 1:05-4:20-6:35
**Avatar** (G) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:30-6:50-10:10 Fri-Thu 12:05-3:25-6:45-10:05
**Avatar 3D** (G) Fri-Thu 12-3:20-6:40-10
**The Book of Eli** (13+) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:55-7-9:35
**Brothers** (13+) Fri-Thu 9
**Daybreakers** (13+) Fri-Thu 4:10-7:30-10:15
**Extraordinary Measures** (G) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:15-7:15-9:40
**La fête des dents** (G) Fri-Thu 12:50-2-6:20-8:40
**Invictus** (G) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:50-6:55-9:45
**It's Complicated** (G) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:05-6:25-10:05
**Leap Year** (G) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:45-7:05-9:25
**Legion** (13+) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:05-7:25-9:50
**Millénium 2** (STC) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:10-6:15-9:10
**Nine** (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:40-6:30-9:20
**La princesse et la grenouille** (G) Fri-Thu 1
**Sherlock Holmes** (G) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:35-7:10-9:55 Fri-Thu 9:30

## BARRHAVEN

### BARRHAVEN CINEMAS
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1. Contra, Vampire Weekend, left; 2. I Dreamed a Dream, Susan Boyle; 3. Animal, Ke$ha; 4. The Fame, Lady Gaga; The Element of Freedom, Alicia Keys. METRO NEWS SERVICES

## Music

# Back from the dead

## Money key to rock reunions

SoundCheck

The biggest promoters and management companies know that if the bag of money on the table is big enough, there's a 99 per cent chance they can convince a band to reunite.

This formula resulted in the resurrection of dead-forever bands like Rage Against the Machine, My Bloody Valentine and the Jesus and Mary Chain. What's in store for 2010?

**Soundgarden:** Given the alleged money issues involving their old manager (who, for added drama, is singer Chris Cornell's ex-wife; it was a nasty divorce) and the fact that drummer Matt Cameron is a happiest guy to ever play drums for Pearl Jam, I would have bet the mortgage against this ever happening. Details are still being worked out, but watch for a summer tour and some kind of box set in time for Christmas.

**Hole:** Waiting for Courtney to release her Nobody's Daughter album has been like expecting Godot to return with those promised double-doubles from Tim Hortons. We still don't have a release date for the CD, but Hole — with Courtney as the only original member — will play a short tour starting in London on Feb. 17.

**The Plastic Ono Band:** That same night in New York, Yoko will caterwaul for one last night. On Feb. 17, she'll be joined by son Sean, Eric Clapton, Paul Simon, Bette Midler, Thurston Moore and Kim Gordon from Sonic Youth, members of the Scissor Sisters and whomever else she can round up.

**Suede:** Excitement amongst Brit-pop fans has been muted since this reunion seems to be just a one-off thing for charity and that it won't feature original guitarist Bernard Butler.

**Pavement:** We were advised a year in advance that the California lo-fi boffins would be reuniting for a multi-night run in New York's Central Park this September. Since then, though, plans have expanded considerably. Rehearsals start next month with the first gig set for Auckland, New Zealand March 1 followed by Australia, Japan, the U.K. and Europe before they land in Toronto on June 19.

**The Pointed Sticks:** This Vancouver power pop band released their first album in 1980, broke up in 1981 and then reformed in 2006 for the occasional gig. Twenty-nine years after the first record, they've released a second, Three Lefts Make a Right. No rush, then.

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# Ke$ha taps wild side

## Tik Tok singer makes no apologies for party-girl lifestyle

JENNIFER BILL
for Metro Canada

**Whether it's singing about brushing her teeth with a bottle of Jack or tossing her cookies in Paris Hilton's closet at a party, Ke$ha — pop's newest sassy sister — knows her free-spirited, unabashed quest for unfettered fun doesn't make her the best role model for young admirers.**

Rather, the 22-year-old TiK ToK singer thinks her fans hold her high on her party-girl pedestal for being real and not afraid to sing about it. Ke$ha makes little attempt to tamp down her wild side. Thusly her first album, Animal, seems aptly titled.

"I kind of think that this record embodies being an animal and giving into the animal side of yourself, and being really raw," Ke$ha told Metro , before a private show in Toronto recently. She described her 14-song debut as "magical" and "a celebration of fun and youth, irreverence" and the resulting "papparazi-ness" as crazy.

"Some songs are funny, and some of them are a bummer and some of them are just unapologetically sassy," Ke$ha said. "I'm just being honest. I never said that 100 per cent of the things I have done are necessarily things to be copied, it's really just like, I documented my life."

Animal, released Jan. 5, quickly leapt to No. 1 much like TiK ToK catapulted to the top when it bounced onto airwaves in October. TiK ToK has held steady in singles charts and took platinum status in Canada, the U.S., Australia and New Zealand.

Animal — the debut album from breakthough pop star Ke$ha — includes the hit single TiK ToK.

**"This record embodies being an animal and giving into the animal side of yourself, and being really raw."** Ke$ha

Ke$ha admitted she was almost surprised TiK ToK, which Nielsen Soundscan called the most downloaded song in one week by a female artist, was that good.

"I had no idea. I actually, like, I wrote it and I didn't think it was anything special because I've written every song on my record so in the process of writing you get so excited and then afterwards you're like, 'Is it good? Is it bad?' I had no idea," she said.

The L.A.-born Ke$ha was raised on welfare and food stamps by her single mother, Pebe Sebert. Ke$ha grew up in Tennessee recording studios — Sebert co-wrote Old Flames Can't Hold A Candle To You, which became a hit for Dolly Parton in 1980 — and was exposed to the tunes of Johnny Cash, Bob Dylan and Patsy Cline. Her penchant for singing and storytelling caused her to quit school at age 17. She met executive producer Dr. Luke, who invited her to sing on Flo Rida's hip-hop song Round Room. Dr. Luke — responsible for No. 1 tunes for such starlets as Britney Spears, Katy Perry and Avril Lavigne — brought her to Sony's RCA Records, which signed her in February 2009.

On Animal Ke$ha cheekily chronicles her experiences living life hard.

"I wrote all the songs … at a time when I lived in Los Angeles, and I went out all the time and, you know, did have drinks and did dance and did have unapologetic, irreverent, breaking-into-house-parties kind of fun, so I never said that I'm the best role model," she said. "But I do think that if kids can take away anything positive from the record it's that you can have fun with everything and not take certain things … so seriously. I also don't take myself that seriously."

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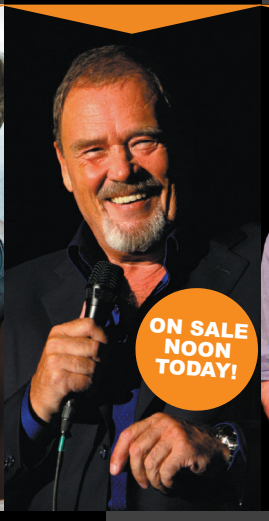


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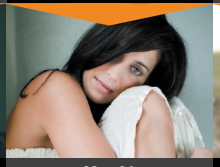

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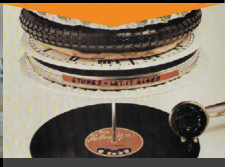

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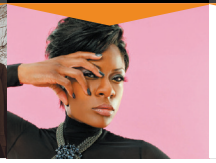

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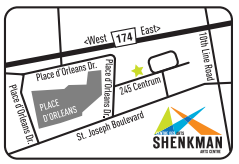


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## Music

# Spoon full of success

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

**Spoon's rise to the top of the indie pack can be attributed to one thing — hard work.**

The band has become a Billboard charting group, selling nearly 50,000 copies in the U.S. of last disc Ga Ga Ga Ga Ga in its first week of release, the old fashioned way — sticking it out until people take notice. It's something, says founding drummer Jim Eno, that new bands can't do.

"I really wouldn't want to be a young band now," he says. "It's hard to get deals and labels aren't spending money. How do you get noticed? We've been lucky enough to have been around."

The group released its first EP in 1994, and slowly built a following around scrappy, alternative rock. It took seven years, and a move to venerable independent label Merge records, until the endless touring began paying off.

"We toured from 1994 to 2001 in front of no one," Eno reveals. "Then, when we released Girls Can Tell, people started coming to our shows and starting liking our music."

In 2005, with the release of Gimmie Fiction and a move to smoother, cleaner pop, the band entered a new musical phase that continues to this day. The band's latest, Transference, is another pop gem. It's lower key than Ga Ga Ga Ga Ga, but has the same infectious hooks and polished performances that's marked the last couple of discs.

**"(Transference) is dirtier and crunchier and maybe more in your face, though sparse could be another term."** Jim Eno

Its more stripped down sound is thanks to the band producing the record themselves. Despite Eno's second career producing other bands, it's the first time Spoon has worked this way themselves. The result, says Eno, is an album that's "more us."

"There's no outside influences; no person who wants to put a stamp on it," he says. "It's how a Spoon record should be."

Producing wasn't necessarily easier though, especially when it came to listening back to the record. Eno says they were so involved in every aspect of the disc that it's hard to know if the songs are any good by the end.

"We're so deep into it," he explains. "When you spend the amount of time we did making a record it's hard to classify. Is it dirtier? Cleaner? Does it need more space? I think it's dirtier and crunchier and maybe more in your face, though sparse could be another term."

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# Blur goes the distance

ANDREW FIFIELD
Metro Canada

**If only we could all age as well as Blur has.**

The British quartet — whose rise to stardom, sad disintegration and eventual reformation is chronicled in the surprisingly comprehensive documentary No Distance Left To Run, coming out on DVD next month — were the last in a string of beloved bands to reunite before rapturous crowds in the last half of the decade.

Based on interviews with band members Damon Albarn, Graham Coxon, Alex James and Dave Rowntree conducted during their triumphant 2009 jaunt, No Distance delves into Blur's early rise through the British pop ranks before nearly becoming unravelled during a shambolic U.S. tour that ultimately inspired an Albarn disgusted by America's cookie-cutter grunge scene — venom drips from his voice as he describes "that music" — to steer his band through recording Britpop's founding document, Modern Life Is Rubbish.

No Distance achingly captures the lingering pain each member carried with them as they recount years of lamenting the loss of their band or tales of avoiding one another at the zoo.

But this is a movie with a happy ending after all, and No Distance is packed with footage of intimate invite-only and surprise shows that will make you seethe with envy for foolishly living in North America and missing it all.

A gig at a railway museum launches a blitz of shows leading up to a headlining set at Glastonbury that was the kind of life-affirming scene that makes one realize just how special a band can be.

No Distance Left To Run will be released on DVD on Feb. 16.

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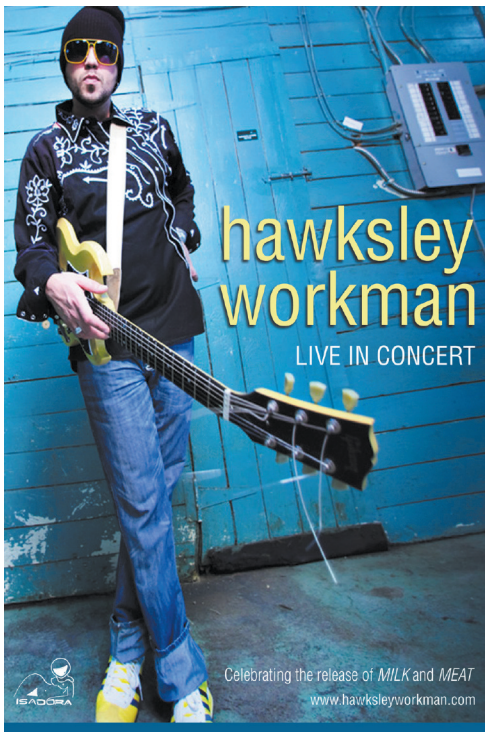

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**Harvey: new Family Feud host**

The TV game show Family Feud is getting a new referee. Series producer FremantleMedia North America said comedian Steve Harvey will take over as host from John O'Hurley when the syndicated show begins its new season next fall. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## Mix of Six

### Grievous Angel: The Legend of Gram Parsons

When: Friday & Saturday
Where: The Black Sheep Inn

Gram Parsons was the creative force behind some of the most important recordings of the late '60s and early '70s. In this theatrical concert Gram (played by Ottawa actor-singer Anders Drerup), reflects on his life and describes the circumstances that brought him to his tragic end.

### The Wooden Sky

When: Sunday, 8 p.m.
Where: Irving Greenberg Theatre Centre

Toronto folk-rock collective The Wooden Sky is featured at the 2009-10 Acoustic Waves concert series. Ottawa Folk Festival is presenting the show in partnership with the GCTC. The band calls their music "pop-folk songs." Tickets are $22.

### Peter Pan

When: Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
Where: Kailash Mital Theatre, Carleton University

Sock 'N' Buskin is proud to present J.M Barrie's Peter Pan as its first show of 2010 at the Kailash Mital Theatre at Carleton University. Email snbreservations@gmail.com or 613-520-3770. Tickets are $10 for students and $14 for everyone else.

### Home Renovations Show

When: Saturday & Sunday
Where: Lansdowne Park

This three-day show highlights all the latest products and services in renovations and building solutions. Designers, professional renovators, and exhibitors are on hand to showcase their services and products.

### Whose Solo Is It This Time?

When: Saturday, 8 p.m.
Where: National Arts Centre Fourth Stage

Eight musicians from the Impressions in Jazz Orchestra perform an entire show of pure improvisation with assistance from the audience. Audience members should bring paper, writing implements and mobile phones for use during the performance.

### Atlantic Voices

When: Sunday
Where: Centretown United Church

Atlantic Voices presents its winter concert, Maritime Memories: Songs & Stories from the Helen Creighton Collection. The afternoon includes special guest: Clary Croft and pre-concert entertainment by Fumblin' Fingers.

## Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

### 1 Kitchen Nightmares Season 3

TV Sloppy restaurateurs, take cover. Chef Gordon Ramsay is back for another round of sniffing out rogue eateries and tongue-lashing their staff into serving up better fare. Premieres Tuesday on Fox. Check local listings for time.

### 2 Creation

FILM You could go to theatres for Extraordinary Measures (if you are eyeing The Tooth Fairy there is little hope for you) this week. But you'd probably be better served with this little film about Charles Darwin and how his evolutionary ideas took their toll on his family. Starring Paul Bettany and Jennifer Connelly.

### 3 Three Days Before The Shooting: Ralph Ellison

BOOK When the acclaimed African-American author (Invisible Man) died in 1994, he left behind a 2,000-page unfinished manuscript. The writing was condensed to 368 pages in 1999 for the posthumous novel, Juneteenth. Finally, Modern Library is putting things right by publishing the mammoth work in its entirety.

### 4 Transference: Spoon

ALBUM They were listed as Metacritic's most acclaimed band of the decade. They even made it to the Top 10 with their last album, Ga Ga Ga Ga Ga. Heck, can you even call the Austin, Tex., band indie any more?

### 5 Sundance Film Festival

FEST So what if it takes place in faraway Utah? If you are a film fan, you will be keeping an eye on this indie showcase. Howl (starring James Franco as Allen Ginsberg) and Restrepo (a documentary on Afghanistan) open the fest this year. There's plenty of Canadian fare too, including Grown Up Movie Star and Splice, featuring Sarah Polley.

### 6 Dark Void

GAME The jetpack's alive and well. In Capcom's new sci-fi title, humans battle aliens in an alternate world with a little help from Nikola Tesla's uplifting invention. The game flies high on the strength of its aerial battles, which takes the find-cover-then-shoot style of Gears of War into the third dimension.

### 7 SAG Awards

SHOW Perhaps the only Avatar-free awards gala you'll see this year. The Screen Actor's Guild honours its members for their thespian skills tomorrow with Inglourious Basterds, Precious and Up In The Air leading the race with three nominations each.

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# Canadian Haiti benefit to run on Canuck star power

George Stroumboulopoulos

BENEFIT Some of Canada's biggest stars including Celine Dion, James Cameron, Michael J. Fox and the Tragically Hip will be taking part in a multi-network benefit for Haiti Friday night.

CBC, CTV and Global Television will broadcast Canada for Haiti at 7 p.m. ET and PT.

Film stars who have signed on include Jason Reitman, Ryan Reynolds, William Shatner, Rachelle Lefevre, Joshua Jackson, Pamela Anderson, Eugene Levy, Norman Jewison, Tom Jackson, Will Arnett and Sandra Oh.

TV personalities Brent Butt, Hugh Dillon, Mike Holmes, Rick Mercer and Alex Trebek will appear.

Musicians Justin Bieber, Nelly Furtado, Sarah McLachlan, K'naan, Barenaked Ladies, Simple Plan, David Foster, Chantal Kreviazuk, Raine Maida and Measha Brueggergosman are on board.

Humanitarian Craig Kielburger and star athletes Wayne Gretzky and Steve Nash will participate, and Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Gov. Gen. Michaelle Jean will have special messages for Canadians.

The commercial-free show will be hosted by Cheryl Hickey, Ben Mulroney and George Stroumboulopoulos.

Donations collected during the broadcast will go to a number of non-profit organizations including the Canadian Red Cross Society, Care Canada, Free the Children, Oxfam Canada and UNICEF Canada.

Immediately following the show, the U.S. benefit Hope for Haiti Now will air on the same networks and on MTV, MuchMusic and National Geographic Channel.

The two-hour special will be hosted by George Clooney.

Keith Urban, Kid Rock and Sheryl Crow plan to perform a song together, as will Bono, the Edge, Jay-Z and Rihanna.

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### More acts added to U.S. telethon

- Beyonce and Madonna have been added as performers taking part in Friday's multi-network Hope for Haiti Now telethon, and Denzel Washington, Brad Pitt, Leonardo DiCaprio and former president Bill Clinton are among the other participants.
- A statement released Thursday said Beyonce would perform from London, and Madonna from New York City. The list of musical performers already includes such heavyweights as Bruce Springsteen, Alicia Keys, Stevie Wonder, Taylor Swift, Justin Timberlake and Keith Urban.
- People can start donating even before the start of the 8 p.m. EST concert via phone and text.

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**A Baldwin in Manhattan**
William Baldwin will play Blake Lively's estranged father on Gossip Girl. Baldwin, 46, will guest-star as William van der Woodsen beginning with an episode to air April 26. PEOPLE.COM.

## Television

# Sci-fi princess moves to Ancient Rome

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

**Lucy Lawless is attracting a lot of attention for her latest character — not that the New Zealand actress isn't used to recognition.**

As Xena: Warrior Princess, Lawless gained a surfeit of spirited sci-fi fans that adored the cult TV show for six years before following it as one of the sexy Cylons on Battlestar Galactica. Now Lawless isn't just stirring the fantasies of fanboys worldwide — she's fulfilling them.

In her provocative new gladiator series, Spartacus: Blood and Sand (premiering on The Movie Network and Movie Central this Monday), Lawless is just one of many characters that spends plenty of onscreen time shedding their togas.

"It's really kind of a spooky thing," laughed Lawless of the series' lack of dress. "The good news is that we have very sympathetic producers who work very hard to make us all look fantastic even (in high-definition). I mean nobody really looks good on HDTV past the age of nine.

"You get that big old pimple on your bottom, everybody's going to see it."

Lucky for the cast, Spartacus is a thrilling mix of gritty violence and graphic imagery to distract viewers from any blemished bodies.

In fact, with the world of gladiators largely produced in post-production, one might assume it a challenge for actors.

"We don't think about it at all; your imagination kind of fills in the blanks but its just gorgeous to see the finished product," said Lawless.

"It's not like Avatar where the whole world is CGI.

"We have really big, practical sets that you can climb up and balconies — it's really solidly constructed — so it's not all imagined; not playing everything to a tennis ball on a stick like we used to in the old days."

No matter how it's put together, Spartacus seems destined to be Lawless' third sci-fi success. Starz, the series' U.S. distributor has even already ordered a second season. It seems that in 2010, audiences are as fascinated by gladiators as ever.

"It satisfies some sort of blood lust we have," said Lawless of the series' timeliness.

"(Even) if you took away all the boobs and all the blood and all the special effects, it's just a thrill ride from start to finish."

**Spartacus: Blood and Sand airs on The Movie Network this Monday**

Lucy Lawless as Lucretia in Spartacus: Blood and Sand.

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300 g (1/3 of 900-g pkg.) linguine, uncooked
1/3 cup *Kraft Calorie-Wise Zesty Italian* Dressing, divided
2 cups sliced fresh mushrooms
1 small onion, thinly sliced
1 can (14 fl oz/398 mL) artichoke hearts, drained, quartered
1 lb. (450 g) uncooked deveined peeled large shrimp
1 Tbsp. chopped fresh parsley
1/4 cup *Kraft 100% Parmesan Light Grated Cheese*

**Make it**
COOK pasta in large saucepan as directed on package.

MEANWHILE, heat 1/4 cup dressing in large skillet on medium heat. Add mushrooms, onions and artichokes; cook 3 min. or until onions are crisp-tender, stirring occasionally. Stir in shrimp and parsley; cook 2 min. or until shrimp turn pink and vegetables are tender, stirring occasionally.

DRAIN pasta; return to pan. Add shrimp mixture and remaining dressing; toss lightly. Sprinkle with cheese.

See this recipe prepared in next week's show: Smart Supper (under 500 calories)

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# Conan gets $45M to walk away

**NBC said Thursday it has reached a $45 million US deal with Conan O'Brien for his exit from the Tonight show, allowing Jay Leno to return to the late-night program he hosted for 17 years.**

Under the deal, which came seven months after O'Brien took the reins from Leno, O'Brien will get more than $33 million, NBC said. The rest will go to his 200-strong staff in severance, the network said in an announcement on the Today show.

His final show will be Friday, with Tom Hanks scheduled to appear as well as Will Ferrell — the first guest O'Brien welcomed as Tonight host last June — and musical guest Neil Young. Leno will return to Tonight on March 1.

"In the end, Conan was appreciative of the steps NBC made to take care of his staff and crew, and decided to supplement the severance they were getting out of his own pocket," his manager, Gavin Polone, told The Wall Street Journal. "Now he just wants to get back on the air as quickly as possible."

Conan O'Brien

O'Brien will be free to begin another TV job as soon as September, NBC said. There has been speculation on where he might go next. ABC (which airs Nightline and Jimmy Kimmel Live!) has said it wasn't interested, while Fox, which lacks a network late-night show, expressed appreciation for his show — but nothing more. Comedy Central has also been mentioned.

A spokesman for O'Brien said he would be unavailable for comment.

O'Brien landed the Tonight show after successfully hosting Late Night, which airs an hour later, since 1993. But he quickly stumbled in the ratings race against his CBS rival, David Letterman.

Under Leno, the Tonight show was the ratings champ at 11:35 p.m., but he proved an instant flop with his experiment in prime time. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## FRIDAY

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| 1/22/10 | 265 | 353 | 2 TVO | Suggs' Italian | | Agenda With Steve Paikin | | Heartbeat (N) | | A. Gregg | Film 101 (N) | Agenda-Paikin |
| primetime | 211 | 331 | 3 GTV | ET Canada | Entertainment | Dollhouse | | Shark Tank | | NUMB3RS "Devil Girl" | | News Hour |
| | 209 | 342 | 6 CHRO | Degrassi: TNG | TMZ (N) | Law & Order | | Law & Order: Special Victims | | Comedy Now | Comedy Inc. | Comedy Now |
| | 196 | 311 | 7 CTV | etalk | Access H. | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | Flashpoint (DVS) | | CTV News |
| | 208 | 303 | 8 CBC | Canada for Haiti (N) | | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | CBC News: The National (N) | | The Hour (N) |
| | - | 360 | 9 NBC | Wheel Fortune | Jeopardy! (N) | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | The Jay Leno Show (N) | | News |
| | - | 362 | 13 CBS | The Insider | Judge Brown | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | Medium "New Terrain" | | Two/Half Men |
| | 216 | 395 | 14 OMN2 | Family Guy | The Simpsons | Omni News: S. Asian Edition | | News: Cantonese Edition | | Two/Half Men | King | Cold Case |
| | 214 | 344 | 15 CITY | Murdoch Mysteries (HDTV) | | Supernanny | | Man Tracker (DVS) | | The Jay Leno Show (N) | | News |
| | 218 | 345 | 18 CHCH | *The Nutty Professor* ★★★ (1996, Comedy) Eddie Murphy. | | | | *Blame It on Rio* ★★ (1983, Comedy) Michael Caine. | | | | News at 11 |
| | - | 361 | 20 ABC | Action News | Entertainment | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | 20/20 (HDTV) (N) | | News |
| | - | 365 | 36 FOX | TMZ (N) | Seinfeld | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | FOX 2 News (N) | | News |
| news | 500 | 500 | 33 CNN | Situation Room-Wolf Blitzer | | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV) | | |
| sports | 406 | 417 | 27 net | Skiing | | MMA Conn | UFC: Access | PartyPoker.net | | Sportsnet Connected | | Prime Time |
| | 126 | 730 | 28 RDI | 24 Heures en 60 minutes | | RDI 15 ans de Grands | | Le Téléjournal (SC) | | Em. spéciale | Le National | Ém. spéciale |
| | 400 | 280 | 30 TSN | NBA Basketball Milwaukee Bucks at Toronto Raptors. (HDTV) (Live) | | | | | Tennis Australian Open, Third Round. (HDTV) (Live) | | | |
| family | 554 | 544 | 48 TEL | Batman: Brave | Wolverine | Justice | Star Wars Clo. | Futurama | King of Hill | *X-Men* ★★★ (2000, Action) | | |
| | 557 | 540 | 51 FAM | Sonny Chance | *Good Boy!* ★★ (2003, Comedy) | | | *Freaky Friday* ★★★ (2003, Comedy) | | | (10:36) *Get a Clue* | |
| | 551 | 542 | 65 YTV | *Alice, Upside Down* (2007, Comedy) Alyson Stoner. | | | | That's-Weird | Fries That? | Prank Patrol | Prank Patrol | Prank Patrol |
| cable variety | 615 | 520 | 31 A&E | Criminal Minds (HDTV) | | Criminal Minds (HDTV) | | Criminal Minds (HDTV) | | Criminal Minds (HDTV) | | Criminal |
| | 628 | 584 | 32 SPKE | UFC's Ultimate Fight Night | | | | Best of PRIDE Fighting | | Best of PRIDE Fighting | | MANswers |
| | 616 | 521 | 39 SHO | Relic Hunter | | *Destination: Infestation* (2007, Suspense) | | | | Kenny vs. | Kenny-Spenny | Trailer Park |
| | 520 | 505 | 42 DIS | Daily Planet (N) | | Dirty Jobs Leeches. | | Man vs. Wild | | Machines of Malice | | Daily Planet |
| | 581 | 566 | 53 MTV | Girls-Latitude | 4REAL | Hope for Haiti Now Celebrities raise money for Haiti. | | | | Teen Mom | | 1 girl 5 gays |
| | 522 | 506 | 55 HIS | Ancients Behaving Badly | | Nostradamus Effect | | *Behind Enemy Lines* ★★ (2001, Action) Owen Wilson, Gabriel Macht. | | | | |
| | 603 | 561 | 95 FN | Ricardo | Eat, Shrink | The Wild Chef | Chef Abroad | Bobby Flay | Bobby Flay | Diner, Drive-In | Diner, Drive-In | Ramsay |

## SATURDAY

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| 1/23/10 | 265 | 353 | 2 TVO | National Geographic | | *Father of the Bride* (1950, Comedy) (DVS) | | | Interviews | (10:15) *The Philadelphia Story* (1940) | | |
| primetime | 211 | 331 | 3 GTV | renegade | Jane Show | 16th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards (Live) | | | | The Guard "Full Circle" | | News Hour |
| | 209 | 342 | 6 CHRO | The Road to Avonlea | | *Black Widower* (2006, Suspense) Kelly McGillis. | | | | Stargate Atlantis "Sateda" | | Bravo!FACT |
| | 196 | 311 | 7 CTV | W5 (DVS) | | CSI: Crime Scene | | Criminal Minds (HDTV) | | CSI: NY | | CTV News |
| | 208 | 303 | 8 CBC | NHL Hockey Regional Coverage. (HDTV) (Live) | | | | | | NHL Hockey: Blackhawks at Canucks | | |
| | - | 360 | 9 NBC | Paid Program | Wheel-Fortune | Mercy (HDTV) | | Figure Skating U.S. Championships: Ladies Free Skate. | | | | News |
| | - | 362 | 13 CBS | Paid Program | The Insider | CSI: Crime Scene | | Criminal Minds (HDTV) | | 48 Hours Mystery (N) | | CSI: NY |
| | 216 | 395 | 14 OMN2 | Most Amazing | Trendy Zone | *I Corrupt All Cops* (2009, Crime Drama) Tony Leung. | | | | My Grandmother | | Most Amazing |
| | 214 | 344 | 15 CITY | what cooking | Most Amazing | Glenn Martin | Out There | *Emile* ★★ (2003, Drama) Ian McKellen. (DVS) | | | | News |
| | 218 | 345 | 18 CHCH | *Hannah and Her Sisters* ★★★★ (1986, Comedy-Drama) | | | | *Nobody's Fool* ★★★ (1994, Drama) Paul Newman. | | | | News at 11 |
| | - | 361 | 20 ABC | Entertainment Tonight | | Grey's Anatomy (HDTV) | | The Deep End "Pilot" | | Castle (HDTV) | | News |
| | - | 365 | 36 FOX | Bernie Mac | Seinfeld | Cops (N) | Cops | America's Most Wanted | | FOX2 News at 10:00pm (N) | | Wanda Sykes |
| news | 500 | 500 | 33 CNN | Newsroom | | Campbell Brown | | Larry King Live | | Newsroom | | Camp. Brown |
| sports | 406 | 417 | 27 net | Skiing | | UFC Fight Night | | | | PartyPoker.net | | Sportsnet |
| | 126 | 730 | 28 RDI | Journal | 109 (SC) | Découverte (SC) | | Le Téléjournal | RDI 15 ans de Grands | | Tellement | Le Téléjournal |
| | 400 | 280 | 30 TSN | 2009 World Series of Poker (HDTV) Main Event, from Las Vegas. | | | | | SportsCentre | Tennis Australian Open, Round of 16. | | |
| family | 554 | 544 | 48 TEL | *Chicken Run* ★★★ (2000, Comedy) Voices of Mel Gibson. | | | | Futurama | King of Hill | Chicken | Venture Bros. | Moral Orel |
| | 557 | 540 | 51 FAM | Suite/Deck | Zoey 101 | Suite Life | Han. Montana | *Batman Forever* ★★ (1995, Action) Val Kilmer. | | | | *Innerspace* |
| | 551 | 542 | 65 YTV | Zeke's Pad | Prank Patrol | Amer. Funniest Home Videos | | That's-Weird | Prank Patrol | Survive This | Ghost | Adrenaline |
| cable variety | 615 | 520 | 31 A&E | (6) *Striking Distance* | | *The Green Mile* ★★★ (1999, Drama) (HDTV) Tom Hanks, David Morse. Premiere. | | | | | | Steven Seagal |
| | 628 | 584 | 32 SPKE | (6) *Lethal Weapon 2* (1989, Action) | | | *Lethal Weapon* ★★★ (1987, Action) Mel Gibson, Gary Busey. | | | | | *Deliverance* |
| | 616 | 521 | 39 SHO | Slings and Arrows | | *NYC: Tornado Terror* (2008, Suspense) Nicole de Boer. | | | | *Spider-Man 3* ★★ (2007, Action) | | |
| | 520 | 505 | 42 DIS | Cash Cab (N) | Cash Cab | Destroyed | Destroyed | Dirty Jobs "Reindeer Farm" | | Verminators "Gator Bait" (N) | | Criss Angel |
| | 581 | 566 | 53 MTV | Peak Season | Peak Season | Over the Bolts | Over the Bolts | Over the Bolts | Over the Bolts | MTV Live | Movie Night | After |
| | 522 | 506 | 55 HIS | Nostradamus Effect | | Cities of the Underworld | | *A Knight's Tale* ★★ (2001, Adventure) Heath Ledger, Rufus Sewell. | | | | |
| | 603 | 561 | 95 FN | Glutton | Chef Abroad | Hugh's Chicken Run (N) | | Chopped | | Top Chef Masters | | The F Word |

## SUNDAY

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| 1/24/10 | 265 | 353 | 2 TVO | Monarchy "Conquest" | | Born to Be Different (N) | | *Blood and Oil* (2009, Drama) Naomie Harris. | | | The View From Here | |
| primetime | 211 | 331 | 3 GTV | Family | 'Til Death (N) | *The Da Vinci Code* ★★ (2006, Mystery) Tom Hanks, Audrey Tautou. Premiere. | | | | | | News Hour |
| | 209 | 342 | 6 CHRO | TMZ (N) | | *Sweet Home Alabama* ★★ (2002, Romance-Comedy) | | | | Nip/Tuck | | In Fashion |
| | 196 | 311 | 7 CTV | (6:30) NFL Football NFC Championship -- Minnesota Vikings at New Orleans Saints. | | | | | | CSI: Miami (HDTV) | | CTV News |
| | 208 | 303 | 8 CBC | Heartland (N) (DVS) | | Test the Nation: IQ 2010 (HDTV) (N) (DVS) | | | | CBC News: The National | | Great War |
| | - | 360 | 9 NBC | Dateline NBC | | | | Figure Skating Countdown to Vancouver. (HDTV) | | | | News |
| | - | 362 | 13 CBS | 60 Minutes (HDTV) (N) | | CSI: NY (HDTV) | | Cold Case (HDTV) | | CSI: Miami (HDTV) | | CSI: Miami |
| | 216 | 395 | 14 OMN2 | To Be Announced | | Bollywood Boulevard (DVS) | | Hockey | Most Amazing | Aaram | Arirang Korea | Of Blessings |
| | 214 | 344 | 15 CITY | Chuck (HDTV) (N) | | Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "Powell Family" (N) | | | | Murdoch Mysteries (HDTV) | | News |
| | 218 | 345 | 18 CHCH | *Liar Liar* ★★ (1997, Comedy) Jim Carrey, Maura Tierney. | | | | *The Truman Show* ★★★ (1998, Comedy-Drama) | | | | News at 11 |
| | - | 361 | 20 ABC | Funniest Home Videos | | Extreme Makeover: Home Edition "Powell Family" (N) | | | | Desperate Housewives | | News |
| | - | 365 | 36 FOX | (6:30) NFL Football NFC Championship -- Minnesota Vikings at New Orleans Saints. | | | | | | Postgame | News | Sportsworks |
| news | 500 | 500 | 33 CNN | Newsroom | | Campbell Brown | | Larry King Live | | Newsroom | | State/Union |
| sports | 406 | 417 | 27 net | WHL Hockey Medicine Hat Tigers at Edmonton Oil Kings. (Live) | | | | | | Skiing | | Sportsnet |
| | 126 | 730 | 28 RDI | Journal | Humanima | Une heure sur Terre (SC) | | Le Téléjournal | Les Coulisses du pouvoir | | Regard | Le Téléjournal |
| | 400 | 280 | 30 TSN | Hockey | | Curling Canadian Juniors: Men's Final. (Live) | | | | | | SportsCentre |
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| | 551 | 542 | 65 YTV | (6) *Snow Day* (2000) | | Prank Patrol | Family Biz | Fries That? | Fries That? | Survive This | Ghost | Adrenaline |
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| | 616 | 521 | 39 SHO | Cra$h & Burn "Jump" | | *Storm Cell* (2008, Drama) Mimi Rogers. | | | | *Live Free or Die Hard* (2007, Action) | | |
| | 520 | 505 | 42 DIS | MythBusters | | Journey to the Edge of the Universe | | | | MythBusters (N) | | A. Bourdain |
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| | 522 | 506 | 55 HIS | Ancient Discoveries | | Lost Secret of Omaha Beach | | *Saving Private Ryan* ★★★★ (1998, War) Tom Hanks, Edward Burns. | | | | |
| | 603 | 561 | 95 FN | Challenge | | Jamie's Ministry of Food | | Iron Chef America | | Dinner: Impossible | | Restaurant |

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**Girls are great, but boys are better**

Ben Affleck is begging wife Jennifer Garner to get pregnant one more time, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The couple has two daughters, and Affleck is keen for a baby boy to complete the trio. METRO WORLD NEWS

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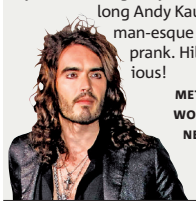
**RUSSELL BRAND** wrestles with a moral quandary, **DANE COOK** has a confession to make, and **"WEIRD" AL YANKOVIC** solves the mystery of Jay Leno's poor performance.

@rustyrockets If I force my cat to have sex with another cat am I an accomplice to rape? If so where does this leave dog-breeders?

@danecook I never took steroids but @ the height of my wiffle ball career I drank a Jolt cola & downed a fun dip 2 give me a lil edge up.

@alyankovic Ah, I get it now. Jay's been doing a 5-year-long Andy Kaufman-esque prank. Hilarious!



METRO WORLD NEWS

# Not a slice, but a scar

**WHAT SORT OF SURGERIES DO YOU HAVE FOR INJURIES OF THE INNER ARM?** Lindsay Lohan has dismissed allegations she has been self-harming to cope with spiralling depression, insisting she is in a "wonderful place mentally, physically and spiritually," femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Mean Girls star sparked fears for her health after she was photographed with a red scratch on her inner arm earlier this month. But she insists the mark is years old — and she's urging internet bloggers to stop speculating about her personal life because she's never been happier.

She tells gossip website PerezHilton.com, "I've had that scar on my arm for a very long time now — it's funny it's just being noticed.

"I had surgery a while ago for an injury I had when I was younger, nothing having to do with depression or anything of the sort. Now back off, people! There are more important world issues to focus on!"

The star, who split from her on-and-off-again girlfriend Samantha Ronson last year, was photographed embracing the 29-year-old during an event at L.A. fashion boutique Church in West Hollywood on Monday night.

METRO WORLD NEWS

# This is Mischa Barton's brain ...

**THIS IS MISCHA BARTON'S BRAIN NOT ON DRUGS** Mischa Barton is returning to television — for one episode, at least — with a guest spot on Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. But the former O.C. star is reportedly making life difficult for her new co-workers.

Sources tell Radar Online that Barton couldn't get any of her lines memorized, forcing the crew to spend all day on her scene. "She only had seven lines, seven!" a source says. "Each time she would mess up, she would forget her lines and Mariska (Hargitay) kept prompting her and saying, 'It's your line, Mischa.'"

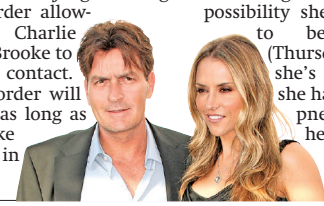
METRO WORLD NEWS

# From alleged assault to hospital-bed hand holding

**WHAT'S THAT I HEAR? OH, IT'S A QUICK CHANGE OF TUNE** Charlie Sheen has been allowed to visit his wife while she is in hospital with pneumonia, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actor's restraining order — which was put in place following his alleged assault on Brooke Mueller on Christmas Day — was altered by Pitkin County District Judge James Boyd to allow him to visit his spouse while she is being treated at Los Angeles' Sherman Oaks Hospital.

Mueller's lawyer Yale Galanter — who confirmed the emergency ruling had been passed — said, "The judge did sign an order allowing Charlie and Brooke to have contact. The order will read as long as Brooke is in the hospital, Charlie can see her.



The changes were made after his 32-year-old wife — who he has 10-month-old twin sons Bob and Max with — fell seriously ill yesterday.

Her mother Moira Fiore explained to E! News, "Brooke had to have emergency surgery to have her wisdom tooth extracted. It became infected. The infection spread and now she has pneumonia in both lungs."

Brooke was admitted to the medical centre after suffering from a fever of 105 degrees. Her attorney said, "Brooke is still in the hospital. She's doing OK but she's not doing great. We thought there was a possibility she was going to be released (Thursday), but she's not because she has developed pneumonia in her lungs."

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# Her new album is called Superficial

**ART IMITATING LIFE? LIFE IMITATING ART? ART? LIFE? WHAT AM I SAYING?** Heidi Montag's debut album may have set a record — just not a good one, us-magazine.com reports. In its first week of release, The Hills star's album, Superficial, has sold less than 1,000 copies, according to Nielsen Soundscan.

In fact, industry sources tell us-magazine.com that the album has sold only 658 downloads to date.

This is likely upsetting news for the reality star, who told Entertainment Weekly last week that she went broke making Superficial but thought that "within the first week, we will definitely make our money back."

She told EW, "I put every dollar I have into this. I've spent over $1 million, almost $2 million, on this album. It's cost as much or more than a Britney Spears album because I wanted it to be that quality ... The songs will make an impact in pop history."

Those songs have collectively sold 6,000 downloads, Nielsen SoundScan also reports.

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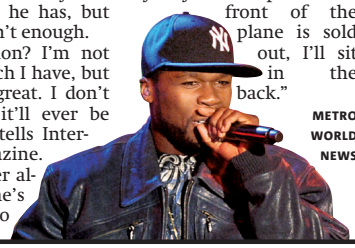
# 50 Cent is a humble guy

**HE CAN SIT WITH THE ECONOMY PLEBS ON A PLANE AND NOT GET A POVERTY RASH** 50 Cent isn't sure exactly how much money he has, but he's sure it isn't enough.

"$400 million? I'm not sure how much I have, but that sounds great. I don't really think it'll ever be enough," he tells Interview magazine. But the rapper also insists he's pretty down to earth, despite his wealth. "I really don't mind flying coach if I have to," he says by way of example. "If the front of the plane is sold out, I'll sit in the back."



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# Pampering mini P. Diddy

**LUCKILY, HE'S HAVING A NORMAL CHILDHOOD** P. Diddy is hosting a Prince of New York-theme 16th birthday party for his son, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The rap superstar's son Justin — his child with his high school sweetheart, designer Misa Hylton-Brim — reached the landmark age in December and now Diddy is organizing him a special star-studded bash, which will be filmed for MTV show My Super Sweet 16. The party will take place at a New York nightclub on Saturday night and Chris Brown will be performing.

A source told the New York Post newspaper, "The club will be decorated with images from the New York skyline.

"Diddy will perform with his band, Diddy-Dirty Money, but there will also be some big name performers taking the stage to surprise Justin."

The A-List guest list — which includes Snoop Dogg, outspoken boxing champion Floyd Mayweather and Lil' Kim — have been told not to bring a gift but make a donation to the Haiti fund to help earthquake victims.

METRO WORLD NEWS

# 'Tara was so happy'

**ALTHOUGH YOU COULDN'T REALLY TELL BY LOOKING AT HER FACE** Tara Reid and boyfriend Michael Axtmann were having dinner at The Little Door restaurant in Los Angeles on Monday night when Axtmann asked for something not on the menu, Reid's hand in marriage, people.com reports.

"Michael surprised Tara with a beautiful round brilliant cut ring," the actress' rep tells People exclusively. "Tara was so happy, and the other patrons clapped and yelled out, 'Congratulations.'"

Reid, 34, and Axtmann, an Internet entrepreneur, began dating last year. They are planning a small wedding for family and friends by this summer.

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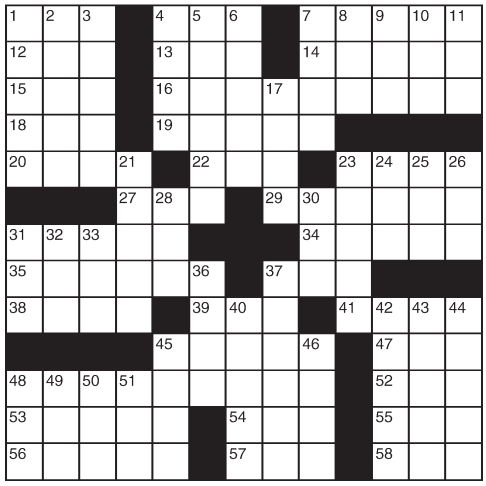

**ACROSS**

1 Scenery chewer
4 Resort
7 Wimbledon surface
12 Chicken-king link
13 Stolen
14 Proportion
15 Old soldier
16 Henny Youngman's repertoire
18 Make up your mind
19 Hatred
20 Bistro name starter, often
22 Type measures
23 Movie pig
27 "— Town"
29 Cheap
31 Track legend Jesse
34 Sports venue
35 Requiring bi-colored glasses
37 "CSI" evidence
38 Fly catcher?
39 — Today
41 Opening day?
45 Memorable mission
47 Illustrations
48 Bluff
52 Dove's call
53 Bring the meal
54 Funnyman DeLuise
55 Pump up the volume
56 Words to live by
57 Officeholders
58 Existed

**DOWN**

1 Devastation
2 Hebrew letter
3 Photo finish
4 "Get outta here!"
5 Mull over
6 Had a home-cooked meal
7 Somber
8 Operated
9 Goddess of foolhardiness
10 Madam's counterpart
11 "Mayday!"
17 A deadly sin
21 Like urban land
23 Powdered cleaning agent
24 Copper head?
25 Crib
26 Timetable abbr.
28 Work with
30 Ashen
31 Mel of Cooperstown
32 Personal question?
33 Historic time
36 Lackluster
37 Variety of plum
40 Riyadh resident
42 Showy parrot
43 Bakery lure
44 Subway stations
45 Kind of hairdo
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51 Scarlet

## Sudoku

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**HOW TO PLAY:** Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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**PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:**

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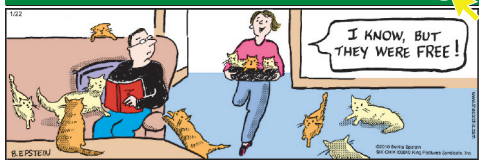


## Metro Recipe of the Day

### Thai Pork Patties with Bok Choy

**INGREDIENTS:**

4 scallions, finely chopped
1 lb (500 g) lean ground pork
1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) Thai green curry paste
2 tsp (10 mL) lemon grass in oil
1 egg white
2 tbsp (25 mL) Canola oil
7 oz (200 g) bok choy, sliced lengthwise
6 oz (175 g) oyster mushrooms, sliced
3/4 cup (175 ml) coconut milk
1 tsp (5 ml) fish sauce
1 tbsp (15 ml) sesame seeds

**METHOD:**

1. Mix scallions, pork, curry paste, lemon grass and egg white until evenly bound together, pressing mixture firmly with back of mixing spoon.
2. Divide mixture into 12, then shape into patties, flattening with your fingers.
3. Heat 1 tbsp (15 mLl oil in heavy-based frying pan and fry patties, turning once, 8-10 minutes or until golden brown and thoroughly cooked.
4. While patties are frying, heat a wide frying pan or wok with remaining oil and add bok choy and mushrooms. Stir-fry over high heat 2-3 minutes to soften.
5. Stir coconut milk and fish sauce into vegetables, bring to boil; simmer 1 minute. Serve pork patties with bok choy and coconut mixture, sprinkled with sesame seeds.

**SERVES 4**

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## Horoscopes by Sally Brompton sallybrompton.com

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**ARIES**
**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**
Sometimes you don't tell loved ones how much they mean to you as often as you should but you'll make up for it today.

**TAURUS**
**APRIL 21-MAY 21**
You must be extra careful what you allow yourself to think over the next 24 hours because your imagination is very powerful at the moment.

**GEMINI**
**MAY 22-JUNE 21**
You can ask almost anything of anyone today and it won't be refused. It will be easy for you to persuade friends and rivals to give you what you need.

**CANCER**
**JUNE 22-JULY 22**
There are some strong emotions about at the moment and if you are not careful you could get swept away on a tide of excess sentiment.

**LEO**
**JULY 23-AUG 23**
You will say or do something outrageous today — and you will get away with it. You will manage, just, to keep this side of turning people against you.

**VIRGO**
**AUG 24-SEPT 22**
The only danger today is that you will allow someone to persuade you to buy something that you cannot really afford.

**LIBRA**
**SEPT 23-OCT 23**
No effort will be too much for you over the next few days. It does not matter how lofty your goal may be you will reach it with ease.

**SCORPIO**
**OCT 24-NOV 22**
You will know instinctively if what you are being told is the truth or a fabrication — and you won't hesitate to cut a deceiver out of your life.

**SAGITTARIUS**
**NOV 23-DEC 21**
Someone needs your help and is silently pleading for you to step in and rescue them. You won't let them down.

**CAPRICORN**
**DEC 22-JAN 20**
You will get the chance to make some powerful new friends today and over the weekend, and you are not the sort to turn down an opportunity like that.

**AQUARIUS**
**JAN 21-FEB 18**
So many things will go right today it's almost as if you have someone "up there" on your side making sure everything falls into place.

**PISCES**
**FEB 18-MARCH 20**
There is every possibility that you will be lucky financially today. Most likely an investment you made a long time ago will pay off at last.

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1963: The Elysée treaty of cooperation between France and Germany is signed by Charles de Gaulle and Konrad Adenauer.
1984: The Apple Macintosh, the first consumer computer to popularize the computer mouse and the graphical user interface, is introduced during Super Bowl XVIII with its famous "1984" television commercial.

# Kindergarten Registration

## January 25 - 28, 2010

Registration for junior and senior kindergarten is the week of **January 25 to 28, 2010** at all Ottawa Catholic School Board elementary schools. Non-Catholic elementary children may attend a Catholic school on a **space availability basis**.

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For more information about registration, please phone your local school. If you're not sure which Catholic school serves your community, please check our online School Locator or phone the Planning Department at 613-224-4455, ext. 2321. School boundary maps are also available on the Board's website at www.ottawacatholicschools.ca.

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